



## HEY YOU!



TIM WILSON/The Chart

Bellying at passers-by through a megaphone given to him during Saturday's Homecoming parade, 3-year-old Austin Cash sits atop Heather Vannaman, sophomore undecided major, waiting for the floats.

## CAMPUS SAFETY

# Student hit in crosswalk

City, College talking about stoplight at intersection

By J.L. GRIFFIN  
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Almost everyone at Missouri Southern has done it. Walked from their class to their car with little else on their mind than to get home and relax.

For Bruce Miller, Oct. 11 was no different than any other Tuesday night at school.

Not long after he left his class, he found himself somersaulting through the air with nothing to break his fall except the pavement below and the backpack attached to his shoulders.

Miller, a senior art education major, was struck by Leslie Roy's Nissan Pulsar on his way to the parking lot across Duquesne Road from Taylor Hall. He was in the crosswalk.

"I heard her swerve and I heard her hit the horn," Miller remembers. "I'm not sure what made me look, but I looked south and all I saw were headlights. I know I did somersaults, but the rest is a blur."

As with any medical emergency on campus, College security, the Joplin Police Department, the Joplin Fire Department, and an ambulance were soon on the scene.

Miller was transported to St. John's Regional Medical Center and was found to have broken his right fibula.

"There were some comments that I was lucky it was only a broken leg," he said.

A Joplin police report states Roy's view of Miller was blocked because of a car that was turning out of the campus.

The safety of students crossing streets at Southern has long been a point of concern. This incident is one that has already begun to make an impact.

Dr. John Tiede, senior vice president, said the College and the city have started looking into ways to make the crosswalks safer. He said the city is looking into installing a button on warnings lights that will enable pedestrians to change the flashing yellow warning to a red light when they want to cross.

Tiede said the College has tried in the past to have the city act on the safety concern.

Miller said he couldn't think of anything else

the College could do to make the passage safer, except a possible overpass.

"Probably an overpass walk would be the best solution since you're actually separating people from the traffic," he said.

Tiede said he didn't think the overpass plan would be feasible for the College.

"I don't see us putting in an overpass in the future," he said. "My recollection was that it carried a \$1 million price tag."

Other suggestions have been made to the city as well, Tiede said. A stepped-up police presence to monitor speeds has been suggested, but Tiede noted there are several different speed limits on that short stretch of road between Seventh Street and Newman Road.

"One of the issues we have is what speed they are going to enforce," he said. "An increased enforcement would get people's attention."

At Wednesday's meeting of Southern's Student Senate, College President Julio Leon suggested he would be interested in building a garage structure south of the campus. However, Leon asked the Senate to look into gaining support.

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## INSTITUTE OF INTERNATIONAL STUDIES

# College gears up for Africa semester

By J.L. GRIFFIN  
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

As soon as the China Semester wraps up at Missouri Southern, the College will unfurl the flags of more than 50 countries at the Africa Semester gears up.

The entire continent of Africa will be explored by Southern during the next two semesters. Focusing on the continent will start with the Harry and Berniece Gockel Symposium in April.

"The semester ties in with the symposium topic," said Richard Massa, director of the Institute of International Studies. "It was chosen because it's a topic of immense interest to understanding something about our own

nation as well as the world."

Massa said Africa is an area that is rarely explored educationally. He has even titled the symposium "Africa: The Forgotten Continent."

With the focus on Africa, some courses will emphasize the study of the continent.

"I'm putting more emphasis in my class on China," said Dr. Bineta Sinha, assistant professor of geography. "In my regions and nations class I will base the emphasis on the relevance of the semester."

Both Sinha and Massa agree the title of the symposium couldn't be more appropriate.

"There is already so small amounts of information available to the students," Sinha said. "Students have the approach that it's not worth studying."

Africa is the second largest continent behind Asia and was home to an estimated 817 million people in 1991.

"Any attention we give will be fruitful to our students and the town in understanding the vastness of this continent," Massa said.

Sinha said she wants her students to realize the effect Africa has on their lives.

"Many see it as a backward continent, but the truth is the continent is one of the richest in terms of natural resources," she said.

Although emphasizing China for two semesters was no small affair, focusing on an entire continent could prove even more difficult. Or maybe not.

"I think it will be a god idea to

bring this into focus," Sinha said. "One semester will bring awareness, and we can go from there with the students."

"Many people don't realize the profound effects of Africa on the rest of the world," Massa said.

Massa said the plans for the next few years are already being worked out. In 1999, the focus will be Latin America with an emphasis on the Panama Canal because on Dec. 31 the U.S. government hands control of the canal over to Panama.

The year 2000 is not as solid as 1999, but ideas being tossed around are Japan, India, or the Pacific Rim. Something may also be planned for that summer in Sydney, Australia, where the Olympics will take place.

## STUDENT LIFE BEAT

# Southern students enjoy PLAYING for a LIVING

By SUSIE FRISBIE  
STAFF WRITER

For most children, furthering their educational development may be the last thing on their minds as they get out of school each afternoon.

But for those children who attend the Boys and Girls Club of Joplin, learning has never been so fun.

Several Missouri Southern students are responsible for helping these children along the way.

"I basically am in charge of all the programs, whatever goes on in the club, the scheduling and staffing," said junior management major James Ward.

Ward, the program director of the club, believes the education he is receiving from Southern has helped

him with the Boys and Girls Club.

"I've used a lot of what I've learned at Southern already because I do a lot of management work now," he said.

Through all his duties, the children remain Ward's focus.

"My job is to constantly keep an evaluation making sure that we are accomplishing our mission, and that is to help the kids," he said.

At the Boys and Girls Club, a variety of programs keep the children busy.

"There's never any free time at the Boys and Girls Club," said senior communications major Parris Smith.

Smith is the director of the theater program and involved in the teen program at the club.

"In the teen group, I take the kids to businesses," he said. "I show them blue-collar work compared to white-collar work, in order to show them what the effects of a degree could be."

Denise Beckley, a senior criminal justice major, also directs the teen program and coordinates the snacks through a program called The Kids Cafe. As director of the teen program, she is also helping to get a program called Keystone off the ground.

"Our goal is to get out in the community and do different community services," she said.

With Christmas right around the corner, the Keystone program offers club members

an opportunity to work with the Red Cross, help the elderly, and provide gifts for the less fortunate.

Upon arriving at the club, the children first have to go through a program called Power Hour. Senior sociology major Bethany Lawson is responsible for running the Power Hour program.

"The purpose of the Power Hour is for educational enhancement," she said.

Through tutoring the children, helping them with their homework, and providing other educational activities, the program's purpose is reached.

"We have a trophy case with prizes in it and every time they do their homework or do an extra project the kids get a certain amount of points so that they can buy from the trophy case," Lawson said.

The trophy case holds prizes ranging from a glow-in-the-dark basketball goal to pencils.

Goals for the children are universal among all who work at the club.

"The reason I'm here is because I want to see the kids succeed," Lawson said.

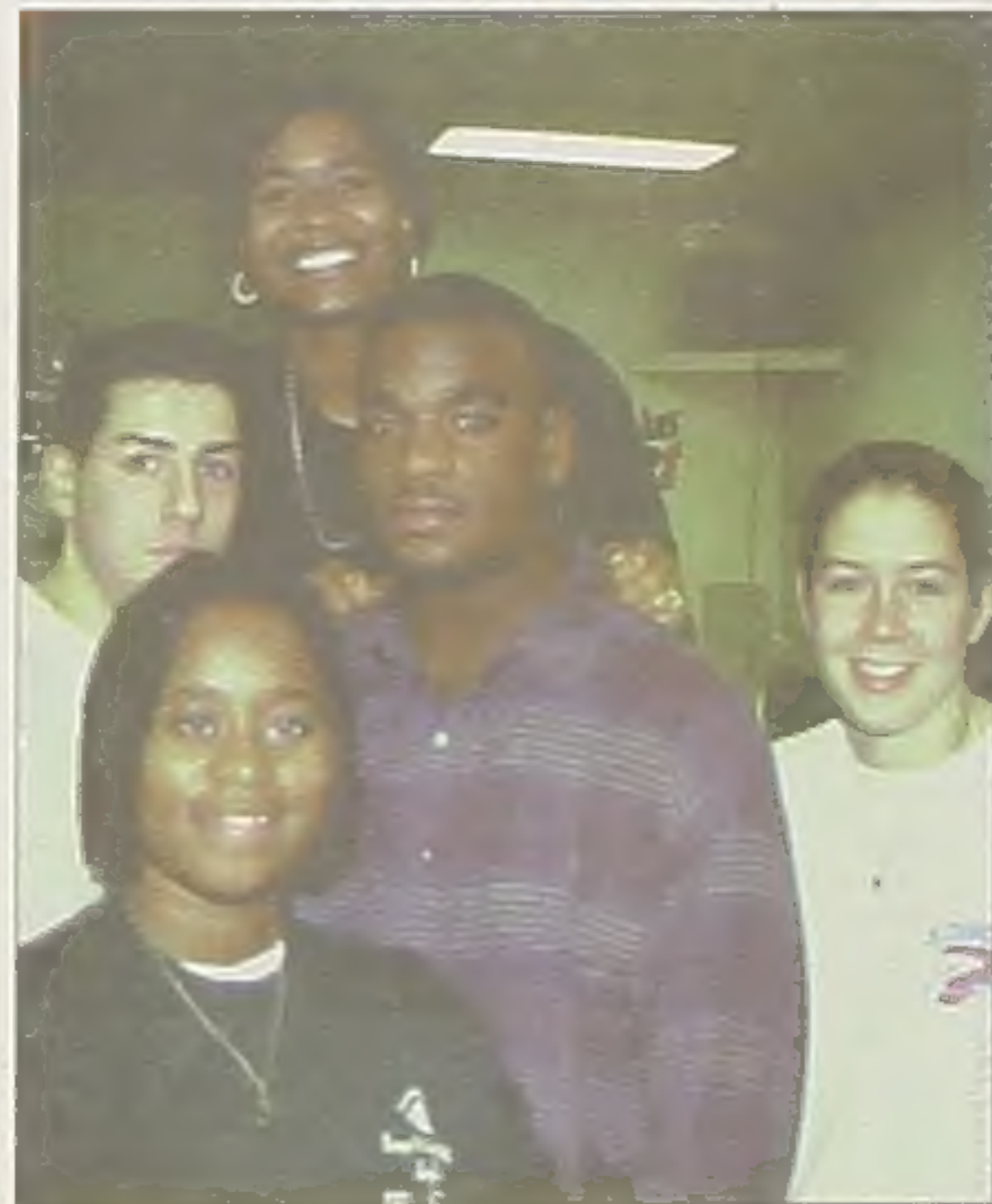
Through helping the children at the Boys and Girls Club, Beckley believes good really does beget good.

"Every time I come in here, no matter how bad my day is, I'll see a kid and when something good happens in that child's day, and if I feel as if I had something to do with that, it makes me smile," she said.

## Student LifeBeat



These special feature stories are designed specifically for you—the students. If you have story suggestions please call 625-9311.



TIM WILSON/The Chart

Working at Joplin's Boys and Girls Club lets (clockwise from bottom) Kendria Weathers, James Ward, Denise Beckley, Parris Smith, and Bethany Lawson help local children reach their goals.

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REPORT

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10/27/97

BSC

11:30 a.m.

A student reported an Outdoor brand bookbag stolen. The bag, described as being black in color with a brown bottom, was taken from the wall at the entrance to the Billingsly Student Center cafeteria. The bag contained a calculator and two textbooks.
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6:45 a.m.

A student was injured on the third floor west stairs of Webster Hall. The student slipped on the stairs.

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Chart garners Pacemaker

After waiting 15 years, *The Chart* has finally brought home a National Pacemaker Award.

The award was presented Saturday to *The Chart* and nine other four-year non-daily college newspapers at the Associated Collegiate Press national convention in Chicago.

To win a National Pacemaker, newspapers first must be selected as a Pacemaker Finalist. There are 20 Pacemaker Finalists named every year.

"Most people on campus think *The Chart* had already won a National Pacemaker because we've been a finalist nine times since 1982," said Dr. Chad Stebbins, the newspaper's adviser. "But never before had we been named one of the five or 10 national winners."

"Every year, we thought 'This is the year.' This, finally, was 'the year.'"

Auburn University, California State University-Chico, the University of San Francisco, the University of Delaware, Emory University, Loyola University of Chicago, Truman State University, Northwest Missouri State University, and Saint Louis University also won National Pacemakers this year.

"The fact that four newspapers from Missouri were among the 10 national winners shows the strength of college journalism in this state," Stebbins said. "And Culver-Stockton from Canton, Mo., was a Pacemaker Finalist."

*The Chart* also won second place in the "Best of Show" competition at the ACP convention in Chicago. Newspapers submitted a single issue to be judged; *The Chart's* entry was its Oct. 24 edition.

"This was the fifth consecutive year we had entered 'Best of Show,' but we had never even placed before," Stebbins said. "Unfortunately, our award was presented on Sunday and we had already flown home."

Rick Rogers, 1996-97 editor-in-chief of *The Chart*, and J.L. Griffin, 1997-98 editor-in-chief, presented a talk on their summer trip to Hong Kong and China at the convention. More than 50 college journalists and advisers attended. □

CROSSWALK: Stoplight could be coming to intersection

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a plan that would raise the current per semester parking fee to \$50 to cover the cost.

Meanwhile, there are still points across the campus that can be accessed only by crossing a busy thoroughfare.

"There are times that I've crossed the street and wondered whether somebody was going to stop," Miller said. "[Being hit] is one of things you never want to happen, but it's always a possibility."

Tiede said the crosswalks are still the safest route to and from campus for commuters. □

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STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

# Freshman engages in new life venture

By GINNY DUMOND  
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Love is in the air and wedding bells are on the horizon for the eldest member of *The Chart's* Class of 2001 project.

"I just screamed," Nann Starkweather said of her Oct. 4 engagement.

Starkweather, a 31-year-old dental hygiene major, has been married before, as has her fiancé, Joplin firefighter Tom Robertson.

"When he proposed, he said 'You might be my second wife, but that's the only thing you'll ever be second in,'" she said.

Though the two have yet to set a date, Starkweather hopes to get married in late winter or early spring. Starkweather and Robertson have children from their previous marriages, so they will be moving five children (four boys and one girl) into the combined household.

"We have a very crazy, busy lifestyle," she said. "Now we've just got to figure out when to do the merger."

Planning to get married and buying a house has put a bit of a strain on her school work, Starkweather admits, but she also says Robertson is extremely supportive of her degree aspirations.

"In fact, he told me that if I got straight A's he'd take me to Hawaii for our honeymoon," she said.

So, what's up with the rest of the 2001 group?

Well, there may be no big news like an engagement, but time constraints are a common complaint among the other four freshmen.

"I never have time to do anything Amanda wants to do like sit and watch TV; the good things in life," said Amanda Pulce, biology major.

**class of 2001**

Five freshmen, a cross-section of the Missouri Southern student body, share their concerns, fears, and dreams as they move toward graduation in May 2001.

Pulce is in her last week of orientation for Zeta Tau Alpha sorority, a member of the Missouri Southern flag corps, and she recently joined the Hammons mentoring program. Coupled with classes, these extra-curriculars make it difficult for her to get motivated in the morning.

"I cannot get up and go to my health class, but I've been trying to make an effort," she said.

Damion Belk, who writes fantasy/fiction stories in his free time, says his school schedule may have temporarily halted his writing efforts.

"I'm having a little bit of writer's block right now," he said. "It's a time thing mostly."

Belk may be spending much of that time in front of a computer, as he says his computer programming class is going best.

"It's going best because computers are like my natural environment," he said.

Though Tiffany Hilton has found a job closer to her home in



The Chart's 2001 Freshmen: (left) Tiffany Hilton, undecided major, Nann Starkweather, dental hygiene major, Amanda Pulce, biology major, Wade Early, sociology major, Damion Belk, undecided major.

Crane, Mo., the death of her grandmother on Oct. 24 has made time constraints even tighter.

Though she was not extremely close to her grandmother, Hilton says it has been stressful for her family.

"My mom's real upset, so that makes it hard, too," Hilton said.

Despite the family's loss, Hilton says she is focused on other things, such as finding her place at Missouri Southern.

"It's a big change from the high school I came from where everyone knew everyone," she said.

Wade Early's main goal has not changed since the beginning of the semester.

"My biggest difficulty is finding out what I want to do with my life," he said.

While searching for a future career, Early is also staying busy with baseball practices, studies, and Koinonia Campus Ministries.

"Time is a state of mind," he says. "I have enough time, I just don't sleep."

GEORGE A. SPIVA LIBRARY

## College ADA projects approach completion

By JEFF WELLS  
STAFF WRITER

Recent renovations to Missouri Southern's Spiva Library are designed to make the building more accessible to handicapped students.

According to Melissa Zenon, coordinator of disabilities services, several items were installed to comply with requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).

"The two major changes were in terms of the two major entrances," she said. "One will have automatic door openers on the front doors where one will be able to push a button and both of the doors will open and a person can come through."

A video system was installed to monitor the library's rear entrance. Handicapped persons can use the system to contact the front desk from outside. The librarian can open the entrance, allowing access to the ground level.

"The change allows access for students who may drive to campus and park back there because that is the closest accessible entrance," Zenon said.

The system was designed to be

used by the handicapped only.

Charles Kemp, head librarian, said disabled individuals parking behind the building had to enter the library through the boiler room. This caused safety concerns.

An elevator was installed in the rear of the building to extend access to all floors.

"We already had elevator service to the other floors," Kemp said.

Accommodations were made for visually impaired students. Braille signs have been installed near both elevators.

"One of the special things we are doing is voice recognition software on a computer in one of the rooms downstairs for a blind student on campus," Kemp said.

Other changes were made inside the library. Chairs and tables adjusted to wheelchair height were placed throughout the library. Drinking fountains were lowered and handles installed.

According to Zenon, the library work is one of the final projects to complete campus compliance with the ADA.

"Once the doors are installed here that will take care of the majority of the buildings. The campus is pretty well in compliance beyond that," she said.

KUHN HALL

## College nurse resigns

By KIKI COFFMAN  
STAFF WRITER

After five years of organizing efforts, Julia Foster has decided to resign as coordinator of health services.

"I haven't gotten a letter yet, but Mr. Carnahan (Doug Carnahan, dean of students) told me at least that she had had word communicated to him that she was going to resign, I think the 14th," said Dr. John Tiede, senior vice president.

Foster's resignation follows her certification as a nurse practitioner, which may be the reason for her stepping down.

She was unavailable for comment.

"I know she finished her nurse practitioner's degree not too long ago and the market for those (nurse practitioners) is fairly lucrative," Tiede said. "I think one major factor of her resigning is that the salary that we offer her at the College can't compete with what she can make off campus," Carnahan said.

Under Foster's guidance, student health services on campus encompassed everything from immunization to HIV testing.

"The health center, under Julia's

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Stacy Purves, junior criminal justice major, was crowned homecoming queen during Saturday's homecoming game, running mate Micky Rantz, senior criminal justice major, was crowned king.

STUDENT SENATE

## Body discusses parking, safety

### Administration fuels discussion,

By AARON DESLATTÉ  
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Normal business meeting operations for Missouri Southern's Student Senate took a back seat on Wednesday to a visit by the College's top administrators.

Dr. Julio Leon, College president; Dr. John Tiede, senior vice president; and Dr. Erik Bitterbaum, vice president for academic affairs, were in attendance at the Senate's weekly meeting.

While in attendance the administrators entertained suggestions from senators.

Senate President Eden Aber believes the visit served several purposes.

"We always have the administration in at least once a year," Aber said.

"It lets the senators know who they are.

"It also helps us get our ideas across. In the past, we've got a lot of things done by having the administration come in. Even if they can't do something about it now, at least they're open to it," she said.

The administrators responded to suggestions regarding textbook fees, a proposed December graduation ceremony, and numerous safety concerns including handicap access in the Mills Anderson Justice Center and additional crosswalk lights on Duquesne Road.

Leon said attending Student Senate meetings usually offers a fresh perspective on how to serve Southern's student body better.

"It allows us to hear the voice of the students and to sometimes learn things that we haven't even thought about," he said.

"We're always concerned about safety, so we will keep working on that. Especially in

the locations mentioned by the students."

A public phone to be placed in the Spiva Library was also suggested by senators.

The phone would be available to students for local calls and was approved by the visiting administrators.

After answering questions in regard to parking space, Leon suggested the possibility of constructing a multi-level parking garage near the site of the future field house.

However, he said the funding for such a project would most likely be passed on to Southern students in the form of a \$50 parking fee.

"It's the policy of the [Coordinating Board for Higher Education] that they will not recommend the state funding for these types of facilities," he said.

"We might need to consider a special fee in order to build a good parking facility."

Leon added such a project was only in a "discussion" phase of planning.

## SOUTHERN NEWS BRIEFS

### National Chemistry week hits Southern campus

Many cringe at the thought of taking a chemistry course in high school or college, but none can escape the impact of chemistry in their daily lives. The Missouri Southern physical science department is hosting a series of special programs during National Chemistry Week, designated by the American Chemical Society. The ACS is a national association of professional chemists, researchers, educators, and students.

This week, Nov. 2-8, is National Chemistry Week (NCW), and the local ACS section (the Missouri-Kansas-Oklahoma section) is sponsoring exhibits and demonstrations in several public locations to increase the awareness of chemistry in everyday life, said Dr. Michael Garoutte, assistant professor of chemistry at Southern.

Exhibits and demonstrations have been held all week and will continue today and Saturday. Today from 4 p.m. to 9 p.m. there will be an exhibit at the Wal-Mart in Pittsburg, Kan., and Saturday at the Northpark Mall there will an exhibit from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

"We will be doing some chemistry demonstrations, holding a drawing for prizes, give away chemistry knickknacks, and making 'slime' with the younger visitors," Garoutte said. "The kids will be able to take their slime home."

The General Chemistry I class at Southern will also be exhibiting a giant periodic table, showing a use for each element.

### Asian seminar to focus on business, trade

According to most economic reports, doing business in the Asian market is the future. However, many potential pitfalls exist — political, legal, economic, and cultural.

A seminar designed to assist with some of those problems is being sponsored by the Southern International Trade and Quality Center.

The seminar, appropriately titled "Doing Business in the Asian Market," will be offered from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Thursday in the Bilingly Student Center Room 310.

Cost of the seminar is \$10 and includes lunch.

Robert Frueh and Lisa Sayad of the World Trade Center-St. Louis; Chieko Hedin, a travel consultant with Premier Travel, which specializes in Asian travel; and Arnold Berney, vice president of export sales for Leggett & Platt, Inc., will conduct the seminar.

Other business representatives experienced in international protocol also will be available during the seminar.

Content of the seminar will include practical advice on how to compete in Asia and information on evaluating import/export potential, identifying market opportunities and assistance resources.

For additional information or to register, persons may call 625-3128 or fax 625-9782.

### Focus of workshop centers on childhood

The phrase "it's child's play" will be taken seriously when more than 200 early childhood professionals attend the Missouri Southern Early Childhood Conference Saturday in Matthews Hall.

The workshop is co-sponsored by the Southern department of teacher education and the Child Development Center.

Titled "Enriching Children's Learning Environments," the conference opens with registration at 8 a.m. Cost is \$15 for advance registration or \$20 at the door. For students the registration fee is \$10.

For additional information or to register, persons may contact Dr. Nancy Smith, head of the teacher education department at Southern, at 625-9625.



EDITOR'S COLUMN

# Bringing some spice to a little rural village

Have you ever thought of being a student in a foreign country? Well, I thought about it more than three years ago, and I gave it a shot. To tell the truth, it was the biggest decision in my whole life, but it was worth taking all the risks.

Of course, I was quite nervous and scared as I was leaving the airport in Prague for the first time one Sunday morning in August 1994.



**Michael Raska**  
Assistant Editor

Maybe I was too young and naive, for I had no idea what I was going to experience and how it was going to change my life forever.

My student-exchange organization placed me as a senior in McDonald County High School in Anderson, Mo. Now this was a real culture shock! Coming from a large, liberal, European city to a conservative, isolated, rural village in the Midwest was something I couldn't really comprehend.

Nevertheless, I did open my mind a little, and I began to observe and learn about the life in this part of America.

To some extent I felt some kind of alienation, for I could not cope with the lack of intellectuality, lack of cultural and global awareness, religious dogmatism, and the "think and live locally" lifestyle.

Even though there were some exceptions, such as a mindset bothered me a lot. It was then that I realized that I wanted to stay, show the people around there that there was another world out there and that there is more to life than the six o'clock news, fast food, and Monday Night Football.

I decided to stay for college. I received a full scholarship to Crowder College in Neosho. Coming back as an independent international student to an American college was a remarkable feeling. There was no exchange organization, no rules, no costs, just me.

It is so much better to go on your own to a foreign country than paying some organization lots of money for nothing.

I must say college life for me was something totally different than attending a high school. I had a feeling I was actually learning something.

Crowder really prepared me academically for a four-year college. I liked its friendly atmosphere, the relationship between teacher-student, and the chance to succeed that was given to me.

However, I always wanted to go to Missouri Southern. I love Southern! I believe it is the ideal college for me, and for any student. I have identified myself and my vision of global cultural awareness in Southern's international mission. It was the perfect fusion.

I have found that the international mission is more than a statement on a paper.

It is in the smiles and hearts of my other fellow international and American students. At Southern the world unites, and the local mindset described above slowly dissolves.

As an international student, I have learned more than the English language and the American culture. I think I got a little from life's wisdom as I traveled, learned, and understood. You have the chance to do it, too, so go somewhere and make the difference. The world is open, and the world needs you. ☐



OUR EDITORIAL

Unsigned editorials on this page express the opinions of a majority of The Chart editors. Observations elsewhere on the page represent independent viewpoints of columnists, cartoonists, and readers.

# Crossing road strikes fear

Someday someone is going to die on this campus, and that day almost came sooner than later on Oct. 28 when a student was struck by a vehicle in the early evening.

Students have complained for years about the safety of crossing streets around this campus. Even in broad daylight it can be a harrowing experience. Somewhere along the way drivers have forgotten that pedestrians have the right of way at crosswalks.

Granted, there were conditions the evening of the student being hit that contributed to the accident, but there are conditions that could be made so that something like this doesn't happen again.

The accident occurred on Duquesne Road, which is a hotbed for students coming to and from campus as well as a normal flow of traffic. In one span of the road the speed limit is 45 mph, which is an obscene amount of speed consider-

ing students are crossing the street only a few hundred feet ahead. Of course the speed limit is reduced to 35 mph when the College looms closer, but that doesn't slow down some motorists.

The College has lobbied for safer ways to get from areas not directly on campus, but little has been done, except for some flashing lights that are ignored by speeding motorists.

Police are seldom seen at this section of road, when it is apparent to anyone who has ever tried to cross Duquesne Road there needs to be an increase in patrols.

A Missouri Southern student being seriously injured on the campus should serve as a very loud wake-up call to administration to get something installed to ensure the safety of the students. To police it should serve as any equally boisterous alarm.

The threat of death is present on this campus, and it's a threat we should start taking more seriously. ☐

YOUR LETTERS

The Chart welcomes letters from readers. Letters must be signed and include a phone number for verification. Letters should be 300 words or fewer. Submit letters to The Chart office on the third floor of Webster Hall, fax them to (417) 625-9742, or send via E-mail. Our E-mail address: Chart@mail.mssc.edu. Letters are due by noon Monday for publication in that week's edition.

# Lantz's resignation shocks former Chart editor

I was shocked and a bit saddened to hear of the resignation of Southern coach Jon Lantz. Shocked because it didn't sound like something the coach would do. Saddened because it didn't sound like something Jon Lantz could do.

While working at *The Chart* I had the opportunity to interview Coach Lantz on numerous occasions. I used to go to his office every Wednesday during the season to work on a preview for the next week's game. We generally talked about football (both on and off the record).

Coach Lantz was the type of coach who didn't beat around the bush. He was the type of coach who told it like it was. I respected that then. I still do.

He brought a unique personality to the College. The first time I met him, he asked me if I was another one of those *Chart* socialists. I didn't understand what he meant at the time. He just wanted to make sure I understood football before he told me anything.

Coach Lantz was the type of man who would attend his son's soccer game just before a Miner's Bowl game against Pittsburg State. Even though all of his thoughts were focusing on Pitt State, he still thought it important enough to attend.

Coach Lantz groomed the greatest player Missouri Southern will ever have in Rod Smith. He also groomed the best pass-catch combination the MIAA will ever know in Smith and Matt Cook. Not to mention running

backs Albert Bland and Karl Evans, who excelled far above their potential.

Coach Lantz is responsible for the greatest night in the history of the College. The night Southern knocked off Pitt State at Hughes Stadium in 1993. There never had been and probably never will be another night like that one.

Speaking of the Miner's Bowl, Coach Lantz is the one responsible for making the rivalry that it is. Before Coach Lantz came along, it was more of a slaughter than a rivalry. He remains the only coach to put fear into the eyes of the Pitt State coaches, players, and fans. Somehow, I suspect they are now

TURN TO LANTZ, PAGE 8A

# Manners should mean something nowadays

I am a work-study student responding to the letter written about the gentlemen, excuse me, man that was suspended for three semesters. I am referring to him as a man instead of a gentleman because anyone who treats people as he does does not deserve to be classified as a gentleman.

I have had the opportunity, while working on campus, to deal with people like this guy and find it very dissatisfying that there are people in this world that either have never learned or just choose not to use any manners at all. Let me rephrase. I do not respect people who cannot use appropriate

mannerisms. The type of behavior that this guy chooses to use, such as yelling and using rude language, does not belong on this campus or anywhere else in society.

I encourage the writer of the letter

TURN TO SUSPENSION, PAGE 8A

# Love the bells

Memories mark time...

Our campus "bells" began in the summer of 1987. That August I returned from an eight-week NEH seminar at Dartmouth College where I enjoyed their bells and felt a loss when I left. What a joy to hear "our bells" chiming their musical marking of time...

"Keeping time, time, time..."

To the tintinnabulation that so musically wells

From the bells, bells, bells—

To the rhyming and the chiming of the bells!"

(from Edgar Allan Poe, "The Bells")

Dr. Ann Marlowe  
Professor of English

# Campus computers go global

I am fascinated at how the computer department of the College has implemented the international theme of the College. The balkanization of the computers is a study of geo-politics in miniature.

The Learning Center represents technology-poor Albania with Windows 3.1 and outdated word processing programs.

The library is like a third world country that just took a big jump in modernization from Windows 3.1 to Windows 95 though the year is 1997. You can even find the word processing program, Word 97.

This is more than you can find in the Student Life Center. Though they have had Windows 95 longer than the library, homework on Word 97 will not work on the Student Life Center's Word 6.

Of course, the campus superpower, the computer center, has Turbo C+, which you

will not find in either the Library or the Student Life Center.

Each building is like a separate country with its own capacities, languages, and rules. A student needs to know in advance what programs are available in each location. If you did not make it to the computer center before 8 p.m. on Saturday, you can not do your programs or Word 97 homework in the Student Life Center.

A successful international traveler learns to cope with the many differences and inadequacies encountered in each separate country. Students at MSSC can learn the same skills in dealing with the vagaries of the campus computer system.

Benjamin Abrams  
Junior computer information science major

IN PERSPECTIVE

# Many reasons for Southern's parking woes

Pssst, can we talk? Well, by now it is very obvious, when two people are merely passing by that parking spaces seem to be permanently at a premium. Just a few years ago, the parking problems began to abate following the third or fourth week of a new semester. No longer is this true.

There are several reasons why the parking problems continue to exist, including an increase in the regular college student population, the acquisition of Franklin Tech students, and even some students from other schools and colleges such as Springfield, Kansas City, etc. We are proud of the fact that we do not charge, as many colleges do, large sums of money for parking on campus; that vehicle registration is free, which does not guarantee a parking space but does give one the right to hunt for a space; and that security has founded an appeal review committee which meets once a month to ascertain whether a given citation was issued in error.

This board consists of a faculty, staff, and student forum. To take advantage of an appeal committee procedure, refer to the back of a citation or the "Parking and Traffic Regulation" handbook available at the security office. The handbook also gives parking designations and a map of the different parking lots.

A student certainly has a right to have his/her thoughts and feelings known anytime a traffic fine is levied. If it is obvious to the student that a parking violation truly did exist, it may well be a waste of time to go through the appeal procedure. The appeal board has developed a very sharp sense of the legitimacy of true reasoning versus bamboozlement attempts.

This brings us to another interesting aspect of the appeal process, the different reasons students give for widely straddling the parking rules and regulations. The first most common is sign confusion. While it is acknowledged that signs can be confusing, the general rule of thumb should be to never park too near a building. Stick to the bigger lots, each of which is attended by signs stating which vehicles are allowed to park there.

The second most-heard complaint is that the student receiving the citation was the only one in the lot to be targeted. Many fail to remember that traffic patterns are constantly changing. The student may park erroneously, not realizing that vehicles close to him may leave in a few minutes' time and others have taken their place who have not received a citation. And the list goes on and on.

One of my favorite stories is when I followed two male students across campus one day. One was complaining, perhaps too long, regarding the parking problems at the College. He finally stated, "I would not park clear across campus and walk a long distance to class, would you?" The other young man, obviously more mature, softly commented, "It would depend on how badly I wanted a college degree."

One thing is for sure. The continuous growth in the College population is indicative of the attitude of young people today. They know that education is a must! No longer will pure labor, absent of skills, suffice in today's world marketplace. While we in security may continue to annoy some with citations in order to ensure a safe and proper flow of vehicles and pedestrian traffic, we also salute each student's drive and determination to lay his/her educational foundation today in anticipation of their dreams tomorrow. Take care. Be well. Stay in school! ☐



**Bill Boyer**  
Chief of Security



“All I've had to do is little stuff, like changing the windshield wiper blades.”



TERESA BLAND/The Chart

Bianca Estes, freshman environmental health major, found her 1973 Plymouth Barracuda when she decided to take an alternative route to auto body class.

## STUDENT FEATURE

## Alternate route leads to '73 Barracuda

By KEVIN COLEMAN  
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

A different route to school landed a Missouri Southern freshman the big fish — the car of her dreams.

About a year ago, Bianca Estes, an environmental health major, was traveling to her auto body class at Franklin Technical School when the car she had been searching the four-state area for appeared.

“We had been looking all over to find a car like it,” she said. “Then one day I was going to school and decided to drive a different way, and saw it with a ‘For Sale’ sign.”

What Estes saw was a 1973 Plymouth Barracuda.

“She had traveled as far as Oklahoma City and Springfield and lots of car shows looking for it,” said her mother, Kelly Estes.

The younger Estes decided she wanted a Barracuda while attending Franklin Tech.

“I started out liking Mustangs,” she said. “But then I got into Barracudas and Mopars.”

Estes, the second owner of the car, said she has had to do minimal work on it.

“I’ve had to put spark plugs and wires on it,” she said. “The guy who owned it before had the interior and vinyl top redone several years ago. So all I’ve had to do is little stuff like replacing the windshield wiper blades. He kept the car in good condition.”

Chrysler Corporation introduced the Barracuda as an answer to Chevy’s Camaro and Ford’s Mustang during the muscle car heyday in the mid-1960s. Several thousand fewer Barracudas were made than their better-known competitors, making them harder to find.

Estes’ car still has the original rally wheels and 318 cubic-inch engine with an automatic transmission.

The original eight-track stereo is still stored with the original owner.

“Some people have told me ‘Those wheels are ugly, why

don’t you put new ones on it?’” she said. “I tell them the rally wheels are original and they’re worth more.”

There are still some little things Estes wants to do to fix the car up.

“The engine is kind of dirty and needs to be repainted,” she said. “And one of the doors needs to be realigned.”

Estes said she learned how to do the door alignment at Franklin Tech, where she also learned the basics of detailing in an auto body class.

“She was putting cars together there,” Kelly Estes said.

“They called her ‘dumb girl,’ but she took first place in the district [competition] and third place in the state. They quit calling her dumb girl after that.”

The competitions included welding, sanding, dent removal, and body puttying.

If Estes’ car ever needs body work, she thinks she’s up to the job. She is now looking for another car to use the skills she has learned.

“I’d like to find a [Dodge] Charger to fix up,” Estes said. □

## Nuts & Bolts

### Tires can be recycled too

East of Neosho, 500,000 tires are slowly burning, their thick, black, heavy smoke rising above the blue and orange flames as they melt away to nothing.

The fire, in the tire dump, started Halloween evening. Authorities are still unsure of the cause, but it’s likely that it was arson.

Old tires remain an environmental hazard despite efforts to recycle them. If you ask

me, I think it’s because there are not enough places to dispose of them properly.

All the tires at the dump were just stacked out in the open. It was my understanding that the Missouri Department of Natural Resources had prohibited that practice several years ago, saying tires were to be stored in a building, or at least under a roof.

Somebody dropped the ball. Was it the guy who owns the tire dump? Was it the Newton County sheriff’s department? Or, was it the DNR? I think it was all three, plus others.

There needs to be more recycling centers for tires and other items our society throws away on a daily basis. Recycling needs to become a way of life for Americans.

Several years ago I was living in Columbia, and that town had a bottle law. It wasn’t an unreasonable law to live with.

There was a nickel deposit on every beverage container — cans were included — sold in the city. All a person had to do was take the containers to any store that sold them, and get the deposit back. Even when someone did throw one out, somebody else would retrieve it and collect the deposit for himself.

We throw away tons of paper and plastic every day.

Americans need incentives to do the right thing. Aluminum cans get recycled more often than any other recyclable resource. The reason: people get paid for recycling them. When soft drinks came in glass bottles and stores required deposits on them, the bottles were seldom just chucked into the trash bin.

Now those bottles are plastic, and it’s seldom that they aren’t just chucked into the trash bin.

If the difference in the environment, due to recycling, was readily observable, maybe more people would be more willing to pitch in and do their part. Maybe, but I think cash would make a better incentive.

When a person goes to the tire store, the tire dealer doesn’t say “Here, let me give you a rebate on your purchase for letting me have your old, worn-out tires.” Instead, the dealers charge you to dispose of them. What kind of incentive is that?

There are ways to use old automobile tires. Anyone who has been in the parking lot of Dude’s Donuts has had to see that it is paved with shredded tires.

The DNR even says a burning automobile tire will melt down to produce two and a half quarts of crude oil.

But when this same thing happened east of Neosho, Windel Harris, owner of the burning tire dump, said when ordered to dispose of the tires he had no choice but to burn them. □



Kevin Coleman  
Associate Editor

## FACULTY FEATURE



SPECIAL TO THE CHART

Assistant sociology professor David Locher’s 1950 Ford coupe.

## Instructor locates coupe at swap meet

By KEVIN COLEMAN  
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

What was supposed to be a summer project is just now getting started for an assistant professor of sociology at Missouri Southern.

“I found it the Sunday before school started,” said Dr. David Locher. “It was bad timing, but that’s when I found it.”

Locher found a 1950 Ford coupe at a swap meet in Springfield.

“I went to a swap meet there last year, but it must have been a different one,” he said. “At the one this year, if I hadn’t bought the car I bought, there were two others there I would have been interested in.”

Locher’s fiancé, Melissa Zenon, thinks he made a good choice from the cars he could have picked from.

“We had looked at lots of cars, and this was one I really liked,” said Zenon, a counselor at the Learning Center. “This was a car he really wanted, and it had a good price.”

The coupe has been modified. It has a 302 cubic-inch engine and has been painted candy-apple red. But there is still plenty of work for Locher to do on the car.

“On the hood, underneath the hood ornament, there’s supposed to be a little Ford emblem,” he said. “Then on the trunk, there’s sup-

posed to be another one, and they’re both gone. But that’s OK with me, because I’m not a real stickler for originality.”

He just finished painting the car’s dashboard and is planning to have the interior done in black tuck and roll vinyl.

“After that, there’s just mechanical stuff to work on,” Locher said. “The next thing I have to do is put a 12-volt gas gauge in because it originally had a 6-volt gas gauge. It’s very simple.”

Locher also has to replace all the glass, except the back glass, in the coupe, and is considering changing over to disc brakes on the front of the car.

“I really think parts are more readily available for that car now than they would have been 10 or 15 years ago,” he said. “When I was in high school I always liked cars from the ‘50s and ‘60s, but the parts were hard to come by. Now, I’ve got a catalog that’s strictly high performance conversion parts for ‘49, ‘50, and ‘51 Fords.”

Locher thinks he can have the work completed on it in about a month.

Zenon doesn’t mind the car sitting in the garage in its present state.

“It’s not really a problem,” she said. “It’s still pretty much intact, and he’s pretty well organized.” □

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## Today 7

Noon—  
Chi Alpha meeting, BSC,  
Room 306

## Saturday 8

Regional Cross Country  
Championship  
•Football at Southwest  
Baptist

## Sunday 9

6 p.m.—  
Newman Club meeting, St.  
Peter's Catholic Church  
7 p.m.—  
Sigma Phi meeting, Stegge  
Hall basement  
•Alpha Sigma Alpha meet-  
ing, Panhellenic Room

## Monday 10

5:30 p.m.—  
Missouri Southern Student  
Coalition Against Child Abuse  
Club, BSC, Room 311  
7 p.m.—  
Baptist Student Union Quest  
Fellowship, Baptist Student  
Union Building

## Tuesday 11

Noon—  
Latter-Day Saints Student  
Association meeting, BSC,  
Room 313  
12:15 p.m.—  
Non-traditional student  
brown bag lunch, Heames  
Hall, Room 211  
12:20 p.m.—  
College Republicans meet-  
ing, BSC, Room 311  
7 p.m.—  
Koinonia main meeting,  
College Heights Christian  
Church  
7:30 p.m.—  
Jazz Band concert, Taylor  
Performing Arts Center, free  
admission

## Wednesday 12

Intramural volleyball league  
deadline  
8 a.m.-1 p.m.—  
Free cupcakes for everyone,  
snackbar  
Noon—  
Psychology Club, Taylor Hall,  
Room 123  
•CAB meeting, BSC Room  
310, lunch provided  
9 p.m.—  
Wesley Foundation Midweek  
Worship

## Thursday 13

11 a.m. to 1 p.m.—  
Koinonia Lunch, basement of  
Stegge Hall  
12:20 p.m.—  
Model UN meeting, Webster  
Hall, Room 223  
2 p.m.—  
National Broadcasting  
Society, Webster Hall, MSTV  
Studio  
6:30 p.m.—  
Fellowship of Christian  
Athletes meeting, BSC, 2nd  
floor lounge  
7 p.m.—  
Zeta Tau Alpha meeting,  
Panhellenic room  
•Baptist Student Union,  
Thursday Night Together,  
BSU Building  
7:30 p.m.—  
Community concert, Lessack  
and O'Brien, Taylor  
Performing Arts Center

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## HOMECOMING

## Criminal justice reclaims royalty title

By BETH HAMILTON  
STAFF WRITER

Once again criminal justice prevails as Stacy Purves and Micky Rantz claim the crown for their department.

Purves and Rantz were selected out of more than 40 primary candidates and from a group of 12 finalists. Their election as Homecoming king and queen was announced at noon Friday, Oct. 31 at the campus-wide picnic.

"It feels good," said Rantz, senior criminal justice administration major. "I kind of wanted to help bring the crown back to

the criminal justice department since we lost last year.

"I didn't feel confident," he said. "I think in the years past we kind of got complacent with always winning and last year we got beat, so it was a little more stressful this year."

Purves wasn't confident about winning either.

"I did not come here expecting to win," she said.

"I think it's great! It had to have been really close because of all the other people that were running," she said.

Why did they win?

"It had a lot to do with the fact that we were with the criminal justice department," Purves said.

"I don't think it was so much that we were representing ourselves, as that we were representing the criminal justice department."

Purves and Rantz both said they had tremendous support from the school of technology, especially from the criminal justice department. They went to every class in the department to introduce themselves.

Purves, 20, is from Springfield. She is a member of the Missouri Southern Student Coalition Against Child Abuse, the American Association of University Women, and the campus Pre-Law Club. She plans to attend law school at the University of Missouri-Kansas City.

Rantz, 24, is from Galena, Mo. He is vice president of the Criminal Justice Student Association and a member of Alpha Phi Sigma.

He just tested to become a federal marshal. He was also in the Army for three years.

Rantz and Purves have been friends for a long time and were excited to win together.

"I don't know if I would have been nearly as happy if I would have won by



TERESA BLAND/The Chart  
Jason Foster, sophomore undecided major, won the costume contest.



TIM WILSON/The Chart

Green and gold were the colors of the day on Nov. 1 for the Missouri Southern Homecoming parade. The Southern Alumni Association decorated their float with balloons and people.

myself," she said. "We were a team; we were in it together."

Another fun thing for Purves was recognition at the Homecoming football game.

One reason is because her boyfriend, Andy Anderson, is the backup quarterback for the Lions.

Anderson's father is University of Missouri-Rolla's head coach, so his whole family was there for Southern's 35-3 victory over the Miners.

She thought an article in *The Joplin Globe* was

funny because it said Missouri-Rolla's coach took Missouri Southern's Homecoming queen out to dinner after the game.

How did Rantz feel about winning?

"I think it kind of singles you out as a figurehead for whatever club you're running for or whatever your department or major is," he said.

"I'd really like to thank the school of technology as a whole and especially the criminal justice department, because without them it wouldn't have been possible for either one of us to get in," he said. "They showed a lot of support." □

## HEALTH FEATURE

## Anorexia present at Southern

Improved medical expertise  
allows doctors to more easily  
diagnose eating disorders

By EILEEN COR  
STAFF WRITER

Many men and women have developed patterns of eating that are at best inadequate and at worst dangerous to health and potentially life threatening, and Missouri Southern students are no exception.

Anorexia nervosa is one of these eating disorders. An individual literally starves herself or himself in order to lose weight.

"Anorexia is a psychologically as well as a physically devastating disease," said Dr. John Dougherty, a Joplin physician. "It is only recently that medicine has had a clearer picture of the cause which has allowed for better treatment regimens."

Anorexia can be fatal. Statistics show 10 percent of anorexics may die, half from starvation, the other half from suicide.

Anorexics have a distorted body image. They obsess about their weight and body size. They have an addiction to this behavior.

"It started out real mild," said Angela Nichols, junior communications major and recovering anorexic. "Then it got out of control."

Eventually, the preoccupation becomes a constant companion.

Half or more of the person's waking hours are spent thinking about eating or not eating, gaining or losing weight, or observing one's body to check one's size. After a while, the thoughts become so constant that thinking about normal, routine activities becomes almost impossible.

The mental obsession begins to interfere with one's work, home life, social activities, and spirituality.

Nichols was molested as a child and says she grew up feeling that she had no control of her body. People were also making unflattering comments.

"I was always told I was the little ugly duckling and so I didn't think I was attractive," she said. "I started to think maybe if I looked a certain way that people would like me."

"Everybody loves thin people," she would think. "If I get skinny enough, then they'll love me."

Nichols said she was convinced that her body image was the problem. Anorexics want to lose weight, so that they will look thin and as a result be happy.

"The biggest issue is self-perception," said Dr. John Cascone, a Joplin physician. "At one time the perception of society was full-bodied women. Now the perception of society is Kate Moss smoking Marlboro Reds and people thinking 'This is it!'"

Another way of looking at this eating disorder is as a method of control.

"It's an issue of gaining control when there are other factors in your life that are uncontrollable," said Dr. Lisa Joseph Cascone, a Joplin physician. "It's like a

form of supplementation where you try to take control another way."

Debra Vann, senior psychology major, wrote her senior thesis on the prevalence of eating disorders on Southern's campus. She found that 13 percent (about 700 students) on campus have the characteristics of an eating disorder. Part of the disorder is low self-esteem, and so students on a small campus are not willing to draw negative attention toward themselves.

Vann, with the help of Dr. James Jackson, professor of biology, formed a support group for eating disorders. The turnout, however, was discouraging. Only five women joined — two high school students and three college students from other schools.

This caused Vann to think she may have been wrong about Southern students. Julia Foster, coordinator of health services, disagrees.

"I've had patients admit to being anorexic," Foster said. "I expect the problem is bigger than we know."

Foster said an average of six women per semester in the past two years at Southern have come forward and admitted having a problem.

The entire family becomes involved. Like any other addiction, it takes a loved one to change the situation by voicing their concern and convincing the anorexic to seek medical attention and therapy.

"Most people are hospitalized twice for it," Vann said. "The first time it's never on their own and that's why the second time rolls around."

"They have to do it on their own," she said. "Otherwise it's going to come back."

There is simply a big denial rate. Anorexics seek help only when they have lost control.

"They can't stop themselves from throwing up after they eat or they can't make themselves eat," Vann said, "which is a really scary thing for them."

The closest inpatient programs for anorexia are in Tulsa and Kansas City.

"In this area, unfortunately, there's not a lot of treatment options," Foster said. "There doesn't seem to be anyone that specializes in eating disorders, and it makes it difficult to be able to refer them."

Anorexics usually exercise excessively as well as achieve excellent grades in school. They completely wear themselves out both physically and mentally.

It's an emotional problem that leads to a physical problem," said Dr. Linda Caldwell, director of counseling at Southern. "I don't think that someone that has a problem is going to see it as a problem."

Anyone wanting more information may contact the National Organization of Anorexia Nervosa Associated Disorders (ANAD) at (847) 831-3438 or write ANAD, Box 7, Highland Park, IL 60035. □

## JUST A LITTLE OFF THE TOP, PLEASE



JASON FOSTER/The Chart  
With a steady eye, James Carter gives a haircut. The Psychology Club and CAB sponsored the hair cut-a-thon during Homecoming.

## DENTAL HYGIENE

Fund-raiser benefits  
student organization

By JEFF BILLINGTON  
STAFF WRITER

Commemorative throws that show the 60-year pictorial history of Missouri Southern are now available through the dental hygiene department.

These throws are a fund-raiser by the Student American Dental Hygienists Association (SADHA).

The throw includes pictorial likenesses of the Joplin Junior College, the Mission Hills Mansion, Hughes Stadium, the Ummel Technology Building, and Webster Hall.

The throws cost \$40. To place an order, persons should call 625-9709 and ask for Marcia Kay Foster, dental programs secretary.

"We're primarily doing it as a fund-raiser for the student organization," said Nancy Karst, assistant professor of dental programs.

The idea for the throw was presented to SADHA by Cynthia Smith, senior dental hygiene major, whose mother originally came up with the idea.

Karst said the money collected from this fund-raiser will be used for several different things.

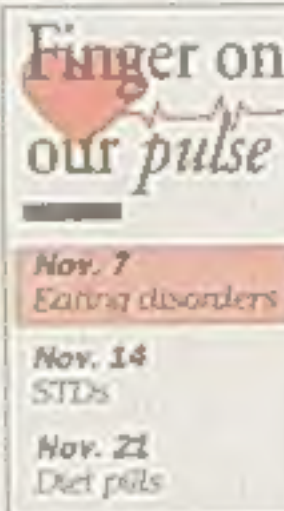
"We're sponsoring a workshop that is a District 8 workshop," she said.

"The workshop is going to be hygiene students and faculty from universities in five states, and we need money to do this."

Karst said there is a two-day review for national board exams and they will also need money so students can be sent.

Tia Strait, assistant professor of dental programs, said the profits for the throw will also help with community projects that the department sponsors.

"We do a lot of community service," Strait said. "We do a lot of educational programs for schools and long-term care facilities." □







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## STRIKE A POSE



TERESA BLAND/The Chart

Mike Raul Barnhart, senior graphics major, puts paint to canvas during his spare time at Missouri Southern's Spiva Art Gallery.

## CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCE

# Traditional College concert gears up for fifth season

BY RHONDA CLARK  
STAFF WRITER

With hundreds of voices united in song and accompanied by a live orchestra, Handel's Messiah once again will grace Taylor Auditorium at 7:30 p.m. on Dec. 16.

"It's something we have been very proud of because it's an opportunity for community people to do something they don't ever get a chance to do — be in a giant ensemble of 200-250 singers with a full orchestra of 45," said Bud Clark, director of choral activities at Missouri Southern and of the holiday performance.

Rehearsals began Nov. 2 and continue each Sunday in November from 2 to 4 p.m. Persons with choral experience are encour-

aged to get involved with the production.

"We try to make it community involvement all the way around with singers and players," Clark said.

He believes it is a true four-state effort. Southern's concert chorale is joined by some faculty and community singers.

Monica Reynolds, a senior vocal music major, participates for the third time. She believes the cultural opportunity for the area is unique. It is also rare for college students and singers to perform with a live orchestra.

"It's a great experience to be involved in and good for people who enjoy music," Reynolds said.

With so many singers, she said 20-foot-high platforms support the group. Each vocal section has approximately 50 individuals.

No admission is charged for the perfor-

mance, and an audience is not hard to find.

"It's been a very good response," Clark said. "People think, 'I've heard it before, I don't need to go hear it again,' but we have new soloists every year that come from different parts of the United States. This year they happen to be coming from Kansas City, except the soprano soloist, who is part of our staff here, Dr. Susan Smith."

In its fifth season, the concert is sponsored and funded by Southern. The tradition began with a suggestion to Clark from College President Julio Leon.

"[Dr.] Leon sat down and talked to me the very first year that we did it and said, 'I saw this in San Francisco and would like to see it happen here,'" Clark said.

He said the first performance included some 500 participants. The numbers have

dropped, not from lack of interest, but because of the busy holiday season.

Clark said the major challenge as director is to stay with the soloists. He never becomes bored with the event.

"For most works, that would be true," he said. "But something of the magnitude of Handel's Messiah is a pleasure. It's written so well and such a challenge to all of the singing to all the right people at the right time. I really thoroughly look forward to it."

Final rehearsal is 7:30 p.m. Monday, Dec. 15 with the full orchestra in Taylor Auditorium. Joplin television station KODE records the final performance and broadcasts it on Christmas Eve at 10:30 p.m.

For more information or to be a part of the chorus, persons may contact Clark at 625-9562. □

## TAYLOR AUDITORIUM

# Broadway hits campus

## Joplin Community Concert Association sponsors activities

By JEFF BILLINGTON  
STAFF WRITER

The famed music of Broadway will be echoing through the halls of Taylor Auditorium next week.

The Joplin Community Concert Association is bringing Lee Lessack and Joanne O'Brien to campus for "An Enchanted Evening — The Music of Broadway" at 7:30 p.m. Thursday.

Fred Laas, Joplin Community Concert Association member, said this will be the first of several concerts sponsored by the organization this season.

"There will be four of them," Laas said.

"And this year they are all at Taylor Auditorium."

Dr. Erik Bitterbaum, vice president for academic affairs, said due to booking conflicts in the past, Missouri Southern hasn't had the pleasure of hosting all of these concerts.

"But if given enough lead time," Bitterbaum said, "the College is always delighted to have it on our campus."

Laas said non-students must purchase a \$30 season membership to attend these concerts while students need only show their student IDs at the box office to get in.

"The thing that's so wonderful," Bitterbaum said, "is that anyone who's a student can come to this for free."

Laas said the concert association will be celebrating 167 live performances and 11 consecutive seasons in the 1997-98 season.

"We really are the only local

group," Laas said, "that has brought in these consecutive live performances for this number of years."

Laas said there will be three more concerts this season: the Epic Brass on Dec. 14, the Prague Chamber Orchestra on Feb. 8, and the Harlem Spiritual Ensemble on March 7. Bitterbaum said he hopes students will take advantage of the free passes they have to these concerts.

"It seems to me it's very sad," Bitterbaum said. "We have this wonderful series on our campus and it's free to students, and yet so few students take advantage of it."

Bitterbaum said he sees this concert as a chance to experience a high quality of entertainment.

"These are people of national stature," he said, "that travel around the country and perform, so here is an opportunity to hear absolute excellence." □

## Coming Attractions

### On Campus



## Performances

■ Dec. 6, 7—The Stolen Prince, Taylor Auditorium

### TAYLOR AUDITORIUM

Jan. 28-31—The Runner Stumbles  
Feb. 25-28—Guys and Dolls  
April 18, 19—Beauty and the Beast

### MATTHEWS AUDITORIUM

Foreign Films  
Nov. 11—Earth  
Feb. 17—Il Grido (The Outcry)  
March 3—Page of Madness  
March 17—The Promoter  
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April 14—The Torment

### Joplin



■ Nov. 28—Blackhawk with Little Texas, Memorial Hall

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Nov. 7—Principato  
Nov. 8—The Comedy Show  
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Nov. 15—The Bell-Aires  
Nov. 21—Baby Jason and The Spankers  
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Nov. 26—The Cate Brothers  
Nov. 27—A Picture Made  
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### Kansas City

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### St. Louis

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Nov. 28—Stir  
Nov. 30—Fiona Apple

### TRANS WORLD DOME Nov. 8—U2

## INTERNATIONAL STUDIES

# Home videos offer global perspectives

By MICHAEL RASKA  
ASSISTANT EDITOR

One does not have to go far away to experience distant places of the world. The International Travel Video Weekly Series gives the students of Missouri Southern another chance to get to know the world closer and better.

The travel videos focus on travel attractions and give informative insights for people who are interested in visiting a particular country.

Judy Bastian, administrative assistant for the Institute of International Studies and instructor of communications, said students have a chance to get to know various cities and countrysides and also give some feedback.

"It is the opportunity for the campus and local community to see educational videos of different parts of the world," she said.

"Since this is the Chinese semester we thought to begin with videos concerning Asia."

The idea for the weekly travel series came from Dr. Ann Marlowe, professor of English.

"Five years ago I was overcome by secondhand smoking and I thought I would never be able to travel again," Marlowe said. "So I started to buy many travel tapes and became interested in getting the world better. However, I am recovering now, and I am trying to decide which place I will go visit first. I also want to share the videos with others."

Marlowe said the travel videos also help students to relate more with different countries, and give them better results with school assignments.

"I learned a lot about the different regions and cultural differences in China," said Lynell Gilbert, senior chemistry major. "The video opened my eyes to the rich history of China."

"China is a sleeping giant with a such a large population," said Kevin Reynolds, secondary education major. "It is determined to expand to nearly every corner of the world in the near future. With this in mind, learning about Chinese culture is extremely important."

The travel videos are shown every Wednesday at 11 a.m. in the Lions' Den of the Billingsly Student Center, at noon in the cafeteria, and at 12:15 every Thursday in the Learning Center.

The series continues with a video on Taiwan on Nov. 12, Korea on Nov. 19, and Vietnam on Dec. 3.

"We will continue our International Travel Video Weekly Series next semester focusing on Europe," Marlowe said. "If there are any groups planning to go abroad, they are more than welcome to come and share with us."

The travel video series is sponsored by the Institute of International Studies. For more information, persons may contact Marlowe at 625-9648 or Bastian at 625-3108. □

## MOVIE REVIEW



SPECIAL TO THE CHART

Cameron Diaz stars in *A Life Less Ordinary*, which proved to be more ordinary than expected.

# Big names can't save picture

By AARON DESLATTE  
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Following the success of 1995's *Trainspotting*, the director/producer/writer team of Danny Boyle, Andrew Macdonald, and John Hodge were bombarded with movie offers. Out of the melee, they elected to film a script Boyle had written in 1993 and in doing so may have stepped from the limelight back into mediocrity.

*A Life Less Ordinary*, the third film by the team, is billed as a romantic comedy, and the cast of up-and-comers Ewan McGregor and Cameron Diaz gives the film enough star power to hold its own against the usual crop of pre-Christmas box office pulp. However, the film immediately falls short of the expectations created by the team's previous two projects.

The film opens with a scene set

in heaven (portrayed as a police station) where two angels, played by Holly Hunter and Delroy Lindo, are given an ultimatum — unite Robert and Celine, two listless human beings, in the bonds of holy matrimony or find new jobs.

The mission seems next to impossible when Robert (McGregor) kidnaps Celine (Diaz) after being fired by her father.

What follows is a series of unimaginative misadventures and spats of stale dialogue as the characters fall in love, following their predestined and predictable courses.

While several scenes in the film are mildly humorous, no one should be laughing at the amount of talent squandered on this project. McGregor, who gained subculture demigod status for his role in *Trainspotting*, delivers an adequate performance but seems



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limited by the very screenwriters who made him a star.

Diaz's character is not a stretch from her usual half-wit beauty queen roles, and even Hunter, in angelic form, is rendered unimpressive by a script that seems to be written for second-rate actors.

However, her inability to salvage the picture is not all that surprising. All the wings in heaven couldn't get this film off the ground. □



LANTZ: Fond memories of a coach who leaves much behind for future writers

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laughing. Pitt State is no longer scared of Southern. Coach Lantz is no longer on the sidelines striking fear into their eyes.

Coach Lantz was the man who brought the "Fans Call the Play" feature to home football games. One of my favorite things about walking the sideline at Southern was watching him turn around to look at the Hughes Stadium crowd as they held up the run/pass seat cushions. I don't know if he ever took it seriously or not. But, he always gave the impression that he did.

Coach Lantz was the man that Chad Hayworth and I drove home

after a loss to Pittsburg State in 1994. Sitting in my Geo Tracker, we talked about life, the College, and football. I don't have the vehicle anymore, but that night remains one of my most treasured memories. He even gave Chad and me access to the team's pregame and post-game talks. That meant a lot to me because he didn't have to.

That night also surrendered one of his greatest quotes: "This right here is Division II football at its best. Do you think there are any Division I coaches in the country that have to bum a ride home from an away game?"

He was right. There probably weren't even any Division II coaches

who would have taken a 30-mile ride with student reporters.

In my professional career, I've had the opportunity to interview some of the greatest coaches in college athletics (Florida's Steve Spurrier, Grambling State's Eddie Robinson, Louisville's Denny Crum, and former Kentucky coach Rick Pitino). Never have I had a more candid interview than the ones I had with Coach Lantz in his office. Never have I had a better interview.

Coach Lantz used to pace on the sidelines before a big game looking for a lucky penny. People (including myself) would drop pennies on the sideline for him to find. He always taped them up on the file cabinet in

his office. He also brought the four-leaf clover to Southern's football helmets. After he's gone, I hope it always stays.

I can't help but think that combined with last year's ditching of women's basketball coach Carrie Kaifes, the College has lost yet another quality coach, outstanding recruiter, and around good person.

I don't condone what Coach Lantz did.

With a tear in my eye, I just choose to remember Coach Lantz for what he was, instead of what he did that Saturday on the sideline.

Jeffrey Slotton  
Monroe (La.) News-Star

SUSPENSION: Lack of manners

From Page 1A

"College's scale of justice appears unbalanced" to sit down and have a heart to heart talk with his friend to find out the whole truth before stating this guy's soul reason for suspension is due just to his misbehavior. I am not able to tell the whole truth because I would be going against the student privacy act which protects the student from others revealing personal matters.

Stating in the letter that his suspension is merely because of his misbehavior toward the financial aid office is an understatement. However, even if it was, it would be

justifiable. No one deserves to be treated the way I saw him treat some of the work-study students and the financial aid staff. The point I would like to make is we, the students, need to remember that we are adults going to an institution established for adults who want to continue their education. If Southern allows students to graduate who act in such an unprofessional manner it would eventually give the impression that all graduates from MSSC act like unruly and disrespectful people. It would not give a good impression for the College.

Tonya Sanders  
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DISCOVERY INSTITUTE

# Local workshop provides 'fun learning'



KIKI COFFMAN/The Chart

Participants of the Discovery Institute listen to a guest speaker.

By KIKI COFFMAN  
STAFF WRITER

Single or married people searching for lessons on computers, crafts, or making German sausage may find salvation in the classroom environment of Joplin's Discovery Institute.

"Discovery Institute has been here around one year. We introduced the first catalog in April last year," said Steve Bearden, director of the institute.

"The owner, Robert Asay, had seen some other organizations in New York, Chicago, and Dallas, and he thought that a learning center in Joplin would be a neat idea. Something where the institute could cater to the smaller community."

The institute offers a variety of classes to anyone interested in taking them.

"We have everything from scuba and golf to cake decorating and ice sculpture," Bearden said. "The idea is to try to have something for everyone."

The classes and groups don't always meet at the institute, and some have special events or speakers that visit sporadically.

"Usually there will be local speakers who will talk to groups, but occasionally we'll have national speakers, maybe once every month," Bearden said.

Discovery Institute has hit upon a hot spot for the educated populace in the four-state area, he said.

"Several hundred people have shown interest," Bearden said.

"Every class size is at least five to 10 people at this point," he said, "and a good portion of our students have college degrees."

"Probably our most popular class has around 100 people in it, and that would be our 'Antiquing Trip' class that is led by a certified personal property appraiser," Bearden said.

Other popular classes have been the hypnosis, weight loss, and flight classes.

The flight classes taught basic flying skills to the students and resulted in a real two-person flight in an airplane where the student could maneuver as well as the pilot.

Another feature of the learning center is the singles group that meets there.

"Discovery Singles utilize the classroom and meet at 7:30 p.m. Monday nights."

There are between 25 and 40 people to make up the social group," Bearden said.

Bearden says the main function for the singles group is to socialize.

"A lot of singles have married friends, but it's odd to have married friends invite a single friend over," he said.

Discovery Singles meet and talk about social projects, parties, outings, and service projects for the community.

Although Discovery Singles is a popular aspect of the Discovery Institute, Bearden said the group has unknowingly helped to provide a popular misconception about the learning center.

"To me the big thing we're trying to indicate to people is the idea that this is about fun learning, that we're really not a singles organization," he said. "Just because the singles meet here doesn't mean this is a singles club."

"People can come in and experience the learning aspect and possibly enhance their lives," he said. □

## REGIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

### Radio station to hold 'Sharathon' fund-raiser

KOBC, 90.7 FM, and KOCR, 1310 AM, broadcast outreaches of Ozark Christian College, announce their "Keep the Faith," Sharathon '97, Nov. 13-15.

Sharathon is a fund-raiser that helps the Christian non-profit station, KOBC-FM, raise a great deal of its annual operating budget. Because KOBC is a fairly new station, it will also participate in the Sharathon.

Due to temporary reduction in power, KOBC-FM reaches a smaller audience than it has in the past. Rob Kime, general manager of both stations, says he hopes that KOBC will soon be able to switch to its new FCC-approved broadcast power level of 60,000 watts. Kime also asks that the people of the four-state area remember the stations in prayer and consider partnering with stations financially during the upcoming Sharathon.

For more information, persons may contact Kime at 781-6401. □

### Blunt calls for railroads to put more cars in service

Seventh District Congressman Roy Blunt has called on the Burlington Northern and Union Pacific Railroads to "put maximum effort into unraveling internal problems that are allowing millions of bushels of corn and soybeans to pile up at grain elevators in the Midwest."

Blunt and his staff have been working for two weeks to "alert railroads serving the region to put more grain rail cars in service. Grain has been piling up in Lamar for three weeks," Blunt said. "Some grain cars have been arriving in recent days."

"A bumper harvest and a shortage of available rail cars are combining to leave millions of bushels of grain in growing piles at Lamar and other communities in the region," Blunt said. "The rail cars are available, but the recent merger between the Union Pacific and the Southern Pacific has seemingly made it harder for the railroad to respond in a prompt fashion in the emergency."

The Missouri Corn Growers says farmers have already lost \$20 million due to the problem.

Blunt is joining the Missouri Corn Growers Association in urging the U. S. Surface Transportation Board to take immediate steps to get railroads moving quickly to ease the problem.

Those steps would include issuing an Emergency Service Order for the Union Pacific and Burlington Northern. Blunt also believes the association should determine what is a reasonable delivery period and institute strict fines on the railroads if delivery deadlines are not met. Blunt also hopes the association will mandate that the railroad problem be solved in 180 days or re-open the recent mergers.

"The rail transportation problem affects more than just agriculture, but it is a critical time when agriculture needs a smooth running efficient rail system," he said. □

### Joplin Public Library to offer tutoring programs

Literacy program tutors and other individuals involved in basic education programs are invited to attend a tutoring skills workshop Saturday from 10 a.m. to noon.

The workshops will be held in the large meeting room of the Joplin Public Library.

The workshop, titled "Learning Styles," will be presented by Cheryl Zimmer of Moberly Community College.

This is the first of a series of tutor enrichment workshops funded by a grant from the Missouri State Library. Workshops in "English as a Second Language" and "Computers as Teaching Tools" will be presented in late January and mid-February.

Persons should call the Joplin Public Library at 623-7953 to reserve a seat. □

## NEW BUSINESSES

# Shopping center continues to expand

By MARLA HINKLE  
STAFF WRITER

Factory Card Outlet and Sally Hansen Beauty Supply are two new businesses to open in the shopping center at 416 Range Line.

Factory Card Outlet, which opened Oct. 20, not only carries cards but also a wide array of balloons, decorations, party patterns, and accessories.

Store manager Kim Matz said whether the occasion is a wedding shower, baby shower, or birthday party, the store probably will have what shoppers are looking for.

"We have much more than just cards and balloons; there is also a wide variety of candy, party patterns, confetti, and numerous glass and ceramic collectibles," Matz said.

Matz said sales of balloons were extremely good for the Halloween season.

"We sold a lot of balloons, most of which were done up in clusters of one dozen balloons. This way it allows the customers to arrange them the way they think is best," she said.

Matz said the store also offers a

green card special, which is popular with customers.

These cards are priced at 39 cents everyday.

"For the upcoming Christmas season, there will be a lot of nice resin and party patterns and numerous collectible glass and ceramic pieces," she said.

"These items could also be used for small gifts as well as decorations."

According to Matz, there are many locations of Factory Card Outlet in Missouri. There is one in Springfield, one in Columbia, 10 in St. Louis, one in Cape Girardeau, and one expected in Kansas City for next year.

Sally Hansen Beauty Supply store manager Dora Chew said the store recently moved from another location and she may be looking to hire some additional employees in the upcoming weeks.

"I do hire college students, so for all of those interested, apply," she said.

Other stores in the shopping center are Toys-R-Us, Hobby Lobby, Hastings, Pet Smart, and OfficeMax. Fashion Bug is the next store expected to open in the center. □

## JOPLIN ELECTIONS

# Voters turn down annexation

## Area businesses lose attempt to snare Joplin's city services

By AARON DESLATTE  
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

A 2.5-square mile Joplin annexation plan was defeated Tuesday by residents of the proposed annex area.

Joplin voters approved the annexation at Tuesday's election, but voters in the proposed annex area defeated the plan, which needed a simple majority from both groups to take effect.

A re-vote is mandated by a provision in state annexation law, which requires a second vote within 120 days. The second election will require a two-thirds majority vote for passage.

Joplin municipal planner Dick Largent believes many concerns by residents of the proposed annexation stem from miscommunications between the city and annex-area residents.

"We talked to several people who didn't have a fair idea of why they didn't want the annexation. They just didn't want it," Largent said. "Several people were concerned because they thought their address would change."

The annexation, which has been in the planning phase for two years, would offer city water, zoning, and sewer services in addition to full-time police and fire-fighting services.

Charlotte Taylor, a resident of the proposed annexation, voted against the proposal and says she will "do it again" when the second election is held.

"We don't want the city," Taylor said. "That's why we moved out here."

Largent said election results were not surprising to

city administrators.

"It didn't catch us off guard. I think we were disappointed, certainly," he said.

"We had the businesses at the interchange come to us looking for the services. We want to provide them with those services."

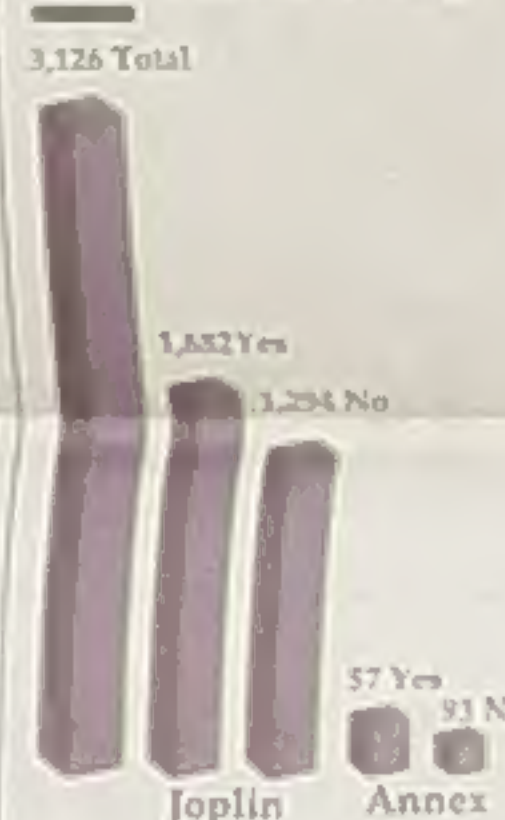
He also stresses the city administration will attempt to better understand the issues voiced by opponents of the proposal.

"We'll try to get a sense of what some of the concerns were and answer them the best we can," Largent said.

He says even though the change in voting formats from a majority of both groups to a two-thirds total count would seem to be advantageous for proponents of the annexation, Tuesday's results would seem to indicate the opposite.

"If you were to combine the voter numbers right now, we would not have had the two-thirds," he said. "That means we've got some more work to do in giving the public as much information as we can." □

## The final tally



Due to state annexation laws another vote must be held within 120 days. A two-thirds majority is needed for the measure to pass.

NICK PARKER/The Chart

## ROUTE 66

# Highway renews interest

By JEFF WELLS  
STAFF WRITER

Route 66, once celebrated by British rockers The Rolling Stones, remains popular around the world. This international attention can be seen on the local stretch of the former highway.

Renewed interest in Route 66 began with the publication of several books and articles about 10 years ago. 1989 was the 50th anniversary of the completion of "the mother road."

Since then tourists from the U.S. and abroad have attempted to trace the path from Chicago to Los Angeles.

Scott Nelson, president of the Kansas Route 66 Association, said the highway has an international appeal.

"Route 66 is really popular in Europe," he said.

"It is not like in Europe where after you drive a little while you go into a different country."

He said tour groups from Austria,

Sweden, and Germany frequently travel through the historic area.

Darrell Ray, a local 66 enthusiast, said in 1992 several documentaries were filmed on Route 66.

"People from Europe cannot imagine a 2,440-mile highway," Ray said.

Last week, a group of Japanese filmmakers passed through Joplin preparing a documentary on Route 66 for audiences in Japan. The focus of their film will be how the rise, fall, and rebirth of Route 66 affected residents and businesses along the highway. The decline of the highway started with the passing of the Interstate Highway Act in 1956.

Nelson, who manages the Eisler Brothers' Store on Route 66 in Riverton, Kan., said that for a business to survive on the highway today, "you need to find your niche or your speciality."

He said tourists are attracted not only to the restored older buildings, but any landmark that dates



JEFF WELLS/The Chart

Eisler Bros. Store, in Riverton, Kan., is one of many area shops located along historic Route 66. The store attracts many people looking to see a piece of the landmark's past.

back to the highway's heyday.

"I have seen people stop and take pictures of old gasoline stations that the windows are out of or the roof has fallen in, or the hint of a sign that was once painted on it," Nelson said.

Another Route 66 landmark has been reborn.

Mark Goodman and Wes Alumbaugh reopened the original 66 Drive-In Theater near Carthage Aug. 22.

The theater closed for the season on Oct. 18.

"Business was really good considering we got started the week before school started," Goodman said.

66 Drive-In is one of only four drive-in theaters left along the Route 66 path.

"At one time there were six drive-ins on 66 named 66," Goodman said. "We have the last original 66 drive-in."

The Webb City drive-in on Madison is on historic Route 66. The other two are in Illinois and California.

Route 66 passes through Carthage, Cartersville, Webb City, Joplin, Galena, Riverton, and Baxter Springs, Kan.

Traveling south and west through Joplin, 66 follows Madison/Range Line, Zora, Euclid, St. Louis, Langston Hughes, Main and Seventh Street. □



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# Sports SCOPE

## Lantz leaves sidelines with dignity intact

Two games have passed now since coach Jon Lantz resigned as Lions head football coach. The team seems to be handling things okay. They have gone 2-0 since his departure.

But how is coach Lantz handling all of this? As I stood in the press conference, listening to

coach Lantz tell area reporters that his career as Southern's head coach was over, I looked at his face. This was not the face of a man who was

**Andre Smith**  
Staff writer

ready to give up his coaching job by any means. Was Lantz really ready to retire his clipboard?

"I don't know," he said.

It will definitely take him a little more time to figure that out, but one thing is for sure. Lantz is proud of his team.

"They seem like a closer team," he said. "Especially the defense. There are several players that I can see that have stepped up and became leaders."

I must give props to the boys for keeping their cool after Lantz announced his resignation. It was a Tuesday and they played Thursday.

All I could do was shake my head for three quarters and say to myself, "Coach Lantz never lost to Washburn. If he were here, this wouldn't be happening."

God had a different plan on that day. Brad Cornelsen and Wallace Clay showed why they are two of the top MIAA rushers and the Lions won 17-14.

On the drive home from Topelka, my heart went out to Lantz. I kept thinking that it must have been hard for him to even keep the game on his television. He had to have felt some kind of animosity.

Boy, was I wrong.

"I knew there was a part of me on that field," he said. "I recruited most of those guys. A part of me will always be here at Southern. I have no negative feelings at all."

What was I thinking?

"After being in it for 23 years, you feel a little empty," he said.

This is a man who walked away dignified after an undignified act. How many people out there can do that? He shouldn't have anything to feel empty about. His life should be fuller because of his actions after the fact.

The Jon Lantz I have grown to love as a coach, a brother in Christ, and a person is not an unhappy person. He was proud that his team performed well. He was proud that Rob Green coached a good game. He is proud to still be a Lion.

That's part of the reason I chose Missouri Southern.

Coach and I have a lot in common. Negativity is not our thing.

We are both strong in our faith, but under extreme circumstances, there were times when we had to let out an ass or a damn every now and then.

He proclaims the name of Jesus, he has a care for others, and he always said "yourself" should be last—J.O.Y.

I guess that's why he feels good about his decision. There may be a little feeling of emptiness there, but after 24 years of coaching, who wouldn't miss it.

Although he doesn't have any contact with the team, he ended with this—"They'll be on a four game roll after this weekend." □

### SOCCER

## Southern shares conference crown

By JOE ECKHOFF  
STAFF WRITER

At the beginning of the season, the soccer Lions' No. 1 goal was to be conference champions. For the Lions to gain a share of the conference title, they had to hope that Truman State University defeated the University of Missouri-Rolla Oct. 29. After Truman edged Rolla 2-1, the Lions shared a three-way tie for the conference

crown with the other two teams.

"Our first goal this season was to win the conference title, and we did, so we are very happy," coach Jim Cook said. "There were several games we should have won, but also we entered several games as underdogs and wound up winning."

With one of the toughest schedules of any NCAA Division II soccer team, the Lions worked hard right up to their season finale against Rockhurst, ranked No. 2

nationally in the NAIA. The Lions (8-9-1 overall, 3-1 MIAA) lost Nov. 1 to Rockhurst 3-0.

"We played hard, but they were just bigger physically," Cook said.

During this game, the Lions had the same problem that has plagued them the entire season.

"We couldn't generate much offense, and they (Rockhurst) are ranked No. 1 for a reason," Cook said.

Several of the Lions' losses this

year were to ranked teams.

"Almost half of our opponents this season were ranked nationally at some time during the season," Cook said. "This was our toughest schedule."

Even with a losing record this year, looking at the strength and toughness of their schedule the Lions could have rolled over after a couple of early losses.

"With the strength of our schedule, this season could have been worse," Cook said.

Cook said the season's highlight was defeating Truman State 1-0 at home on Nov. 11.

"In some areas we improved, and in others we didn't," Cook said. "Our strength was defense this year, and our weakness was offense, and that's what we will be looking for next year."

Ryan Rupar led the Lions in scoring with eight goals and three assists. Southern outscored its opponents 38-29 for the season. □

### FOOTBALL



TIM WILSON/The Chari

Senior running back Justin Taylor attempts to break into the Miner secondary. Taylor compiled 111 yards on the ground during the Missouri Southern's homecoming win.

## Lions topple Missouri-Rolla 35-3

By NICK PARKER  
MANAGING EDITOR

Only two games into Robert Green's tenure as interim head coach of the Lion football program, Missouri Southern appears to be on a roll.

The Lions (5-3 overall, 1-3 MIAA) notched their third consecutive win with a 35-3 rout of the Missouri-Rolla Miners (2-7, 1-6) Saturday. Southern's victory came before a Homecoming crowd of more than 5,000.

The Lions jumped to an early lead, scoring 28 points in the opening quarter, including a 46-yard touchdown run from junior quarterback Brad Cornelsen.

Green said he sees his team building a consistency on both sides of the ball.

"I am pleased with where we are at this time of the year," he said. "The players are enthusiastic and having fun. We are able to go out and take care of business."

"The defense is playing exceptionally well. If you go back even two or three games, you'll see defensively we are flying around, we're hitting, and we're tackling. One of the biggest things is in the secondary; we're not busting any assignments. Every point scored against us is a point we've made them earn."

Senior running back Wallace Clay notched his second consecutive 100-yard game, rushing for 121 yards. Cornelsen was not far behind, racking up 97 rushing yards of his own. He also compiled 106 yards via the air.

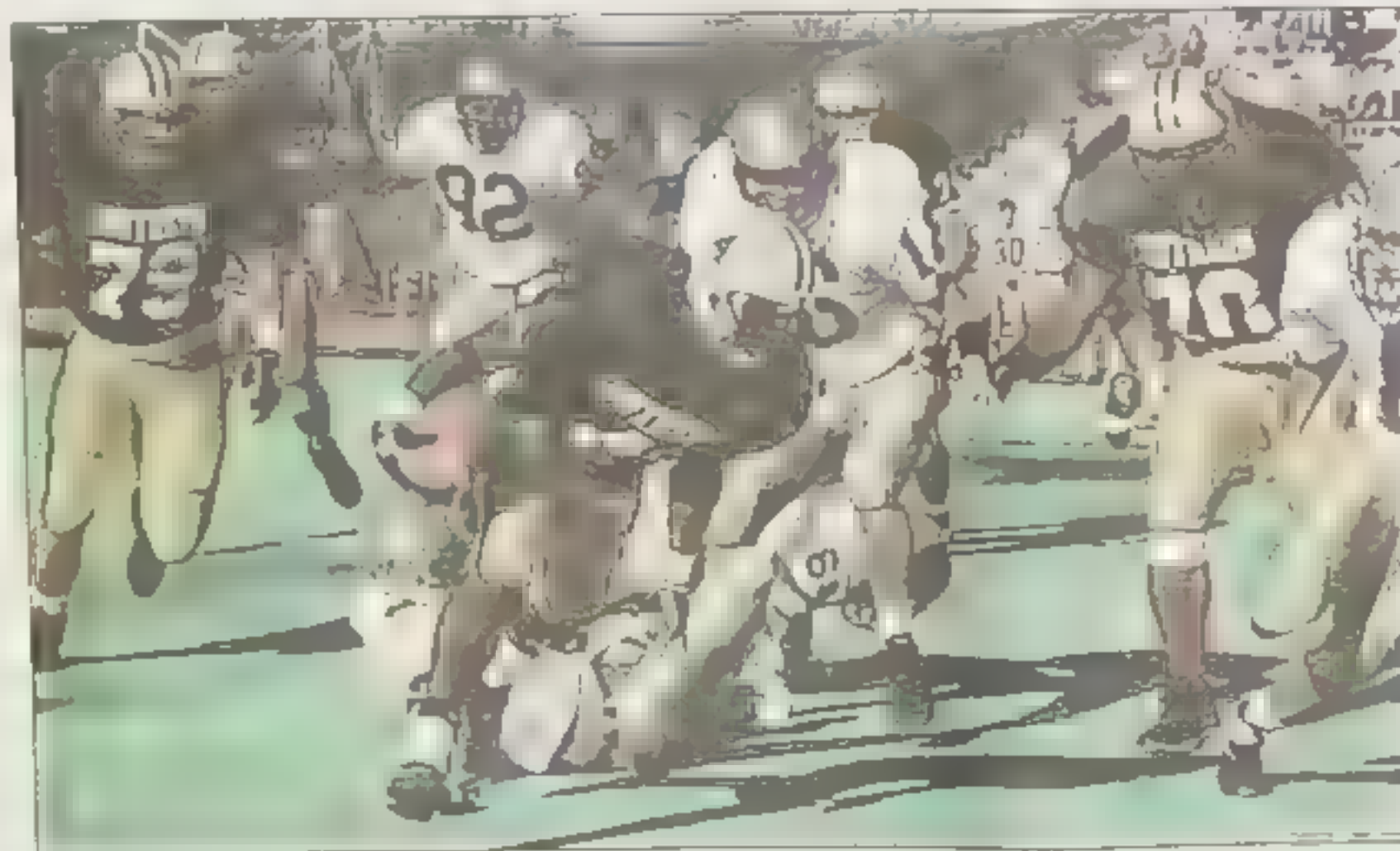
Southern travels to Bolivar, Mo., Saturday for a 1 p.m. match-up with Southwest Baptist University (0-8, 0-7). The Bearcats also were winless during the 1996 season.

"We basically have two things to do," Green said. "No. 1, secure a win at SBU. That will ensure a winning season, which is always a goal of ours."

"No. 2, come home and start setting a trap for Truman State. Set a trap so that when they come down here we have the opportunity to beat a nationally ranked team."

"The biggest thing for us this weekend is to avoid getting caught in the atmosphere of SBU. By that I mean not falling and playing at their level, but to play at our level. We have to approach every game like we are playing the top team in our league."

The Lions return to Fred G. Hughes Stadium Nov. 15 for their final game of the season against Truman State (6-2, 6-1). The Bulldogs play at Northwest Missouri State Saturday. □

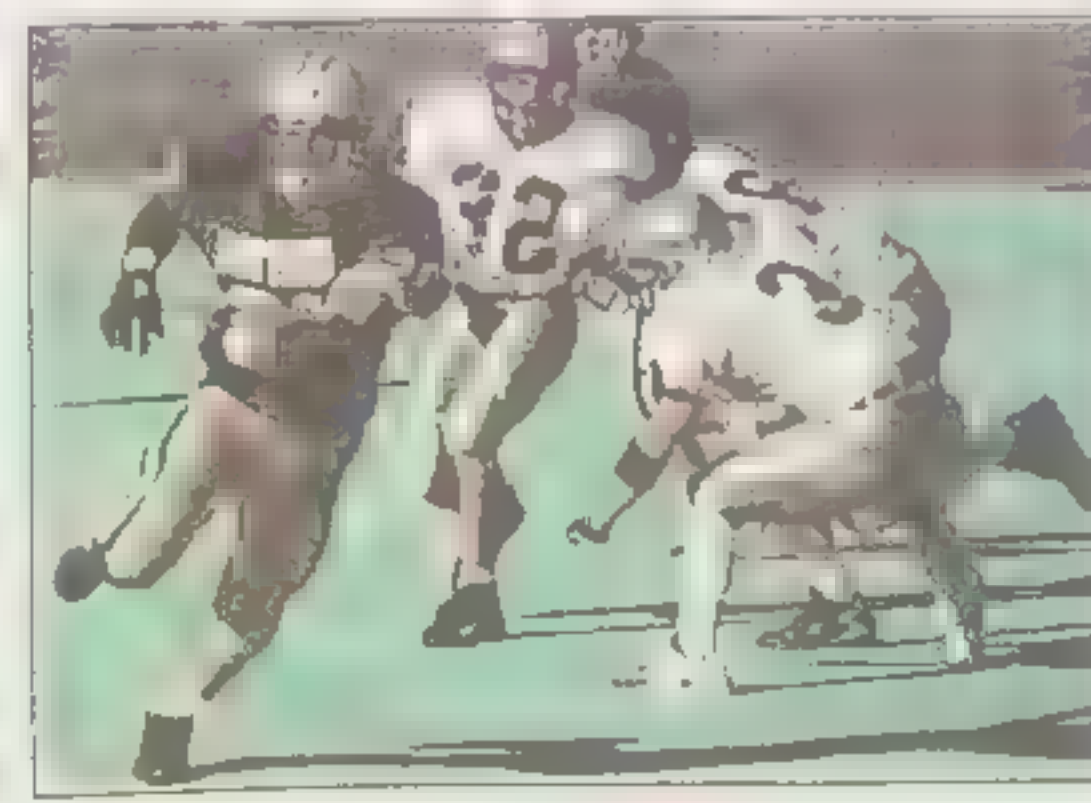


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Senior running back Wallace Clay breaks through the Missouri-Rolla defense en route to the endzone. Clay gobbled up 121 rushing yards during Missouri Southern's 35-3 win.

Freshman  
linebacker  
Jarrett Cook  
takes down a  
Miner ball-carrier  
during Missouri  
Southern's  
homecoming  
victory.

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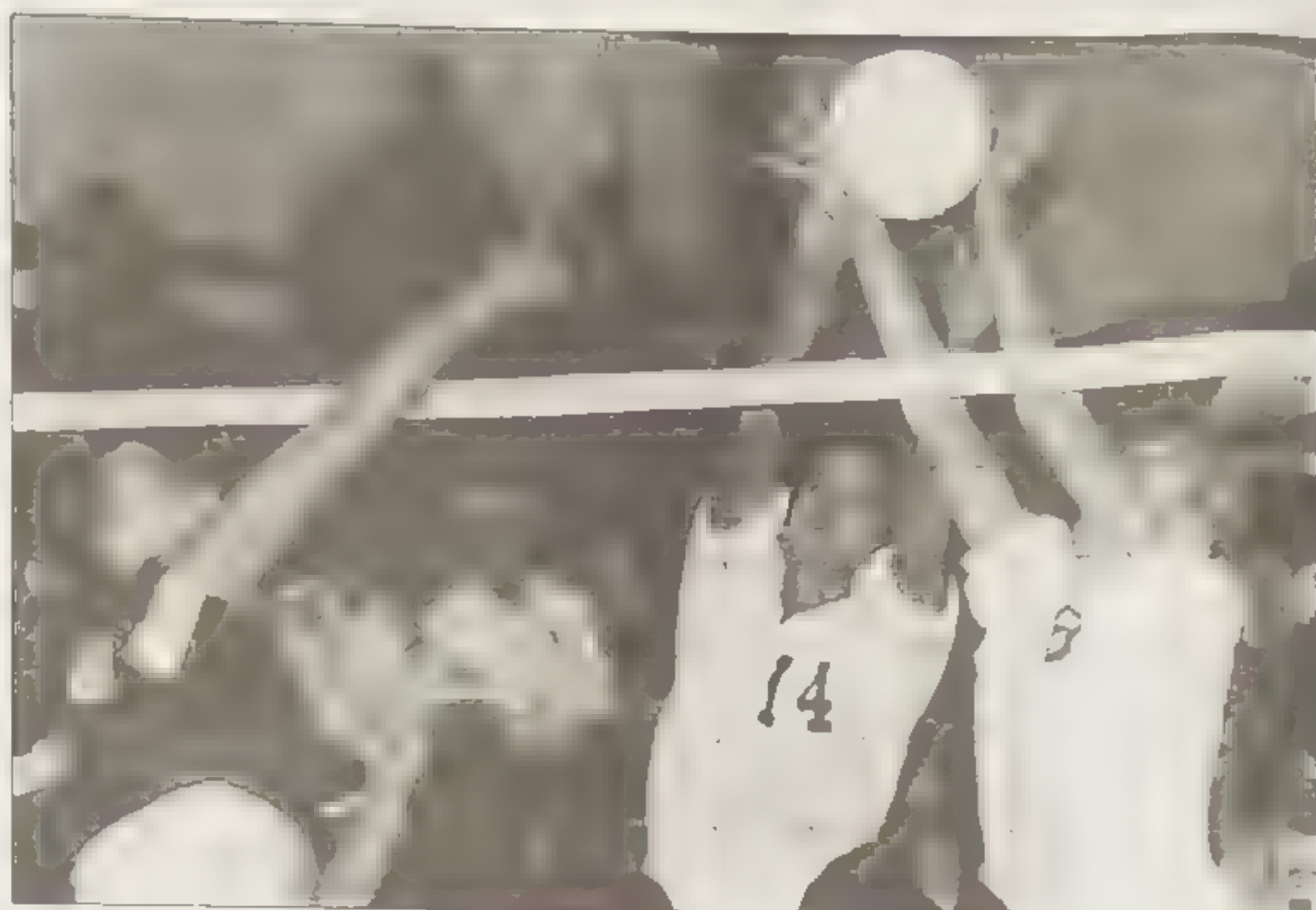


Senior  
Linebacker  
Justin Taylor  
scrambles  
through the  
Miner "D",  
gaining key  
yards for the  
Lion offense.

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VOLLEYBALL



Freshman hitter (left) Karla Parks and senior hitter (right) Kristen Harris apply a block during Wednesday night's match against border-rival Pittsburg State University. Southern won the match three games to two.

# Lady Lions down Pittsburg

By ANDRE SMITH  
STAFF WRITER

The steadily improving Missouri Southern volleyball team has won three of their last four games. The only loss of those four games came from the ninth ranked team in the nation. On October 24, they beat Truman State for the second time this season 15-9, 7-15, 15-8, 3-15, 9-15.

Sara Winkler and Kristen Harris had a stellar defensive performance as they racked up 20 and 19 digs respectively. Stephanie Gockley paced the Lady Lions with 19 kills and 13 digs. Amber Collins had 42 assists.

"Truman is always interesting to play," said Debbie Traywick, Lady Lions head coach. My teams always do well in the fifth game. We side out well and that's why we are usually successful in the final game."

One week later they faced the undefeated Central Missouri State Jennies. Although they suffered a 16-14, 15-8, 15-8 loss, Traywick saw a different team than in the previous meeting.

"I thought we played them much better than we did at their place," Traywick said. "I saw improvement in my team, and in me as young as we are, that is definitely encouraging."

The Lady Lions only scored 12 points in three matches in their last match.

Meredith Hyde had 10 kills for the Lady Lions and Gockley added 17 digs.

As a part of the Drury tournament, the Lady Lions went in battle against Alabama-Huntsville who had been ranked sixth in the region. After losing the first game 12-15, the Lady Lions got back on track and dominated Alabama-Huntsville 15-11, 15-9, 15-10.

"It was great to see players like Erin Fielding, Collins, Karla Parks, Hyde, and Stephanie Bunker step up," Traywick said. "I know they are maturing and the experience that they gain now will pay off next year."

Gockley's 21 kills and Karla Parks' 15 kills led Southern to victory. Amber Collins tallied 54 assists.

Wednesday night, they traveled to Pittsburg State and once again were victorious 10-15, 15-10, 15-7, 16-14, 15-9.

Traywick said there was no one player that stood out, but she was impressed with the play of Fielding.

"Erin did a really nice job hustling and go after balls," she said. This was probably our best defensive game of the season."

She added that one of Pittsburg State's weak points is passing the ball. She was able to make adjustments in practice last week after losing the last meeting in three games.

"We served the ball well," Traywick said. "We put them in situations that forced them to pass. It was definitely a team win."

The Lady Lions are back in action on November 14 when they face Northwest Missouri State at Young Gymnasium.



Sophomore outside hitter Meredith Hyde swings for the kill against Pittsburg State Wednesday. Hyde has recently returned to the Missouri Southern line-up after a minor injury. The Lady Lions defeated the Pittsburg

CROSS COUNTRY

## Men's, women's squads finish beyond expectations

### Lady Lions take fourth place in MIAA, Sixth-place goes to Lions

By GINNY DUMOND  
SOCIETY EDITOR

Rising above their pre-season expectations, Missouri Southern's men's and women's cross country squads placed a spot above their predicted finish at the MIAA meet Oct. 11.

"They've really earned their way to go," women's coach Patty Vavra said concerning her team's upcoming trip to the regional meet in Kenosha, Wis., this weekend.

The Lady Lions placed fourth in the conference, led by junior Sonia Blacketer. Blacketer is Southern's first female conference champion.

"Sonia obviously had another outstanding day," Vavra said. "She really just ran away from the field right from the starting line."

"People just don't realize what she's done to get to the point she's at this season. She's just so tenacious. She puts herself in a position to win the race early, which is mostly due to the work she puts forth in the off-season."

Vavra also mentioned the strong performances of junior Amanda Harrison and sophomore Shanna Lynch.

"Amanda Harrison, again, she ran really hard, and I just think she had gone to the limit," Vavra said of Harrison's finish, which was not as strong as the rest of her race.

But the finish was strong enough to put her in 10th place and on the all-conference list.

"Shanna Lynch has just made remarkable gains through the season," Vavra said of the Lady Lions' third finisher.

Sophomore Jessica Zeidler, who came in as the team's fourth-place runner, also played a crucial role in Southern's overall score.

"Jessica battled, and at times you could really tell," Vavra said. "If she hadn't had the race she had, we probably wouldn't have finished fourth."

"It was a total team effort." Because of Southern's strong performance at the conference meet, Vavra thinks regionals should bode well for her team.

"We've got a great group of guys. We should have finished fourth or fifth. I still feel we were better than we showed."

Tom Rutledge  
Cross Country coach

"We've got a couple of goals," she said. "We finished 12th last year and we'd like to finish top 10."

"It's always great exposure to get out and run on a large field against seasoned competitors."

Southern men's coach Tom Rutledge says though his team's sixth-place finish was higher than predicted, he thinks it still might have placed higher under different circumstances.

"We've got a great group of guys," Rutledge said. "We should have finished fourth or fifth. I still feel we were better than we showed. With the youth we have we could blame it on a lot of things, but they just got behind early and couldn't recover."

Placing fifth on the men's side was senior Jon Wilks, who is the only Southern runner who will be going to Wisconsin to compete in the regional competition.

"I'm hoping that in his senior year he can reach some of the goals he has set for himself," Rutledge said.

Rutledge says timing is everything when it comes to conference.

"Really, we had a good year," he said. "We were first or second in many of the meets we competed in."

"Unfortunately, you have to run well on that one day."

Rutledge also said junior Jake Wells made an important contribution Oct. 25 despite an ankle injury.

"I admire him because he ran well on that swollen ankle," he said. "It showed a lot of guts and determination."

## FOSTER: College begins search for replacement

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leadership, has evolved from a basic first aid station to a very busy, professional, up-to-date, comprehensive facility that provides a variety of services to the campus community," Carnahan said.

"Health services in general has really become an integral part of the department of student services on campus and I give that credit to Julia," he said.

Foster initiated programs on campus and computerized all the health and immunization records for the College in addition to her supervision of the daily clinics. Her work involved responding to campus emergencies, developing a wellness program for students, and advising a campus organization on health concerns. On the academic end, she taught a class on sexuality with Dr. Jim Jackson, professor of biology.

Foster pioneered efforts on campus to make AIDS information more readily accessible by organizing and chairing the College's HIV/AIDS task force.

Carnahan said the search for a new health director will be a tedious one.

"We're going to look real hard, because she (Foster) is making it real difficult to replace her," he said. "I really feel that Julia has been one of the top staff members at Southern."

"I'm convinced that the health services available have made a real impact on the retention of students, and we hope to find someone that can step in and has the initiative and enthusiasm and the leadership that Julia has."

Both administrators and students have found the resignation to be a challenge.

"She's been a real help to the school, and I just wish we could do something to keep her here," said Maurice Auberry, freshman criminal justice major. "It'll be a real shame to see her go."

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## Football

### MIAA Standings



Lions  
Week 7

vs. Missouri-Rolla  
Lions 35  
Minors 3  
Scoring  
1st  
Lions: Clay 5 run, Lewis kick, 13:56  
7-0  
Lions: Sims 20 pass from Cornelsen, Lewis kick, 8:58  
14-0  
Lions: Taylor 6 run, Lewis kick, 4:40  
21-0  
Lions: Cornelsen 46 run Lewis kick, 1:00  
end of 1st 28-0  
2nd  
end of 2nd 28-0  
3rd  
Lions: Clay 11 run, Lewis kick, 4:34  
35-0  
end of 3rd 35-0  
4th  
Minors: Risner 30 field goal, 14:06  
end of 4th 35-3

Football Lions vs. Truman State, 1 p.m.

Friday

Volleyball Lady Lions at Pittsburg State, 7 p.m.

This week

Saturday

Cross Country at Kenosha, Wisconsin, TBA

## Soccer

### MIAA Standings

(conf, overall) 1  
Truman State 3-1, 13-5  
Missouri-Rolla 3-1, 8-9  
3. Missouri Southern 1-3, 4-16  
4. Southwest Baptist 0-4, 3-12

### MIAA Team Statistics

Team Statistics MISC OPP  
Total Goals 33 29  
Average per Match 2.1 1.8  
Score by Period  
1 2 OT OT TOT  
MISC 19 18 0 0 37  
OPP 11 18 0 0 29

## Volleyball

### MIAA Standings

Through November 2  
(Conf, overall)  
1. Central Missouri 13-0, 23-5  
2. Missouri Western 9-4, 22-8  
3. Washburn 9-4, 17-12  
4. Emporia State 9-4, 14-14  
5. Truman State 7-7, 20-14  
6. Pittsburg State 4-9, 8-17  
7. Missouri Southern 4-9, 7-16  
8. Northwest Missouri 3-10, 21-15  
9. Southwest Baptist 1-12, 6-23

## Cross Country

### Lion Times

1. Jon Wilks, 25:53.43  
2. Brian Hill, 25:23.68  
3. Dustin Franks, 26:43.33  
4. Jay Kocks, 28:48.32  
5. Jake Wells, 29:58.44  
6. Steve O'Neal, 29:10.54  
7. Jared Lee, 32:29.27

### Lady Lion Times

1. Sonia Blacketer, 18:33.27  
2. Amanda Harrison, 19:23.28  
3. Shanna Lynch, 20:43.85  
4. Jill Becker, 22:18.53  
5. Jessica Zeidler, 22:21.73  
6. Emily Petty, 24:17.25  
7. Anna Ford, 27:35.68



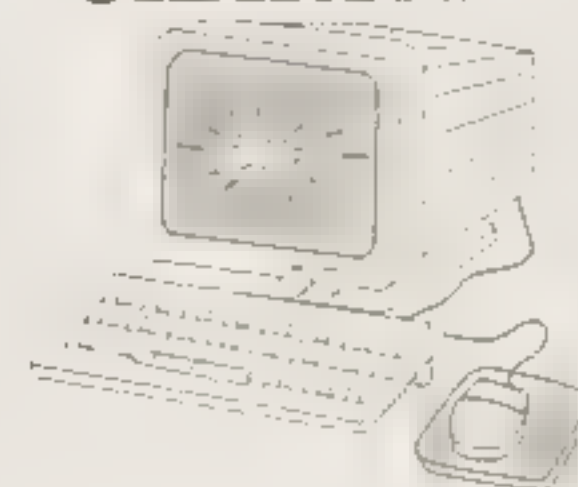
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# From Pool to Pond

## Landmark celebrates 25th year

By Dr. ANN MARLOWE  
PROFESSOR OF ENGLISH

See ... Sense ... Celebrate ... the Biology Pond!

Twenty-five years ago, the Olympic-sized swimming pool built for the Wallower family in 1940 was altered. In 1972, the College had bulldozers knock down the pool walls, leaving the concrete bottom intact.

This unique pond matured quickly, becoming a living body of water. Spring-fed waters from the aquifer below the Mansion area flow toward the bridge built on the south end, through the extensive marsh — Turkey Creek.

Varieties of wildlife visit or make the pond area their home. College activities of picnics, classroom lab assignments, and other events create a busy atmosphere, yet the pond is resilient.

The surface links the outer world to the inner world. On cloudy days, the water is sullen and murky. With the cover of algae, the pond seems impervious to outside activities. Under the water is a mysterious world — life from the shallow edges to the four-foot depth in the middle, where a huge snapping turtle rises from the bottom, oozing from the frothy algae into view.

On clear days, floating clouds and blue sky become alive in the pond, whispering winds gently creating ripples — light and motion. A calm surface becomes a mirror of sunlit glass beckoning with brilliance. College buildings are reflected in the pond — the campus containing the pond, yet the pond containing the campus.

The seasons offer varied experiences. In summer a heavy layer of algae attracts both red and blue damsel flies flitting amid dragonflies. Ducks and geese churn the algae with beaks slicing for food. A white heron with synopated stroll leaps without warning into the air and swoops 20 feet away — hunt again. Minnows over-leap, land on algae, then struggle to return to water.

The surface clears and shad leap — catch gnats swarming in the hazy autumn air. As temperatures cool, early morning mist rises from the surface. Hovering gently, until the breeze changes direction, the mist swings back and forth, like smoke from an incense censor. On colder gloomy days, the mist steams spirally, then mingles with the clear air above.

All winter, the spring-fed water flows — never freezing. A golden baby beaver gliding under the water shoots ahead suddenly when it spots a visitor on the bank. The cold silence is enhanced by snow-covered branches, silhouetted delicately against the dull wintry sky.

In a late sleet storm, glistening evergreen branches become mystical as the sun glances off their icy coating. A rising breeze creates sun-sparkling crystals that surge across the surface. The brilliant glow dazzles, then dissipates, as the breeze subsides.

The gleaming ice along the edges of the pond and marsh beckons to the world beyond and to coming spring. Vivid pink redbud tree blossoms amid barren branches, blue water, and slowly greening grass draw visitors to the pond. Schools of swarming minnows predict activities in another season.

This pond — this microcosm — participates in the cycles of nature. From regenerating rain, hazy fog, evaporating mist, and waters flowing onward, this pond reaches the world beyond — the macrocosm. This pond is a fitting symbol of Missouri Southern's international mission.

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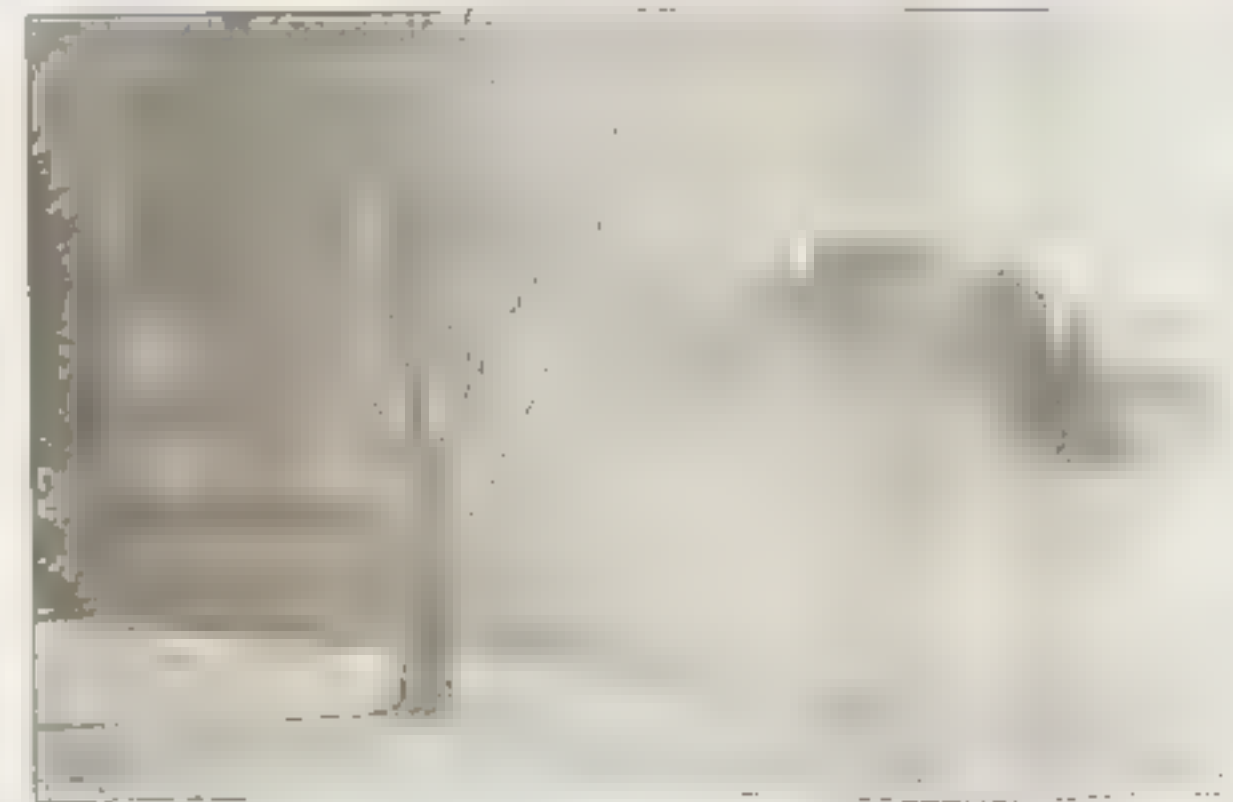
## Pond inspires creativity

By Dr. ANN MARLOWE

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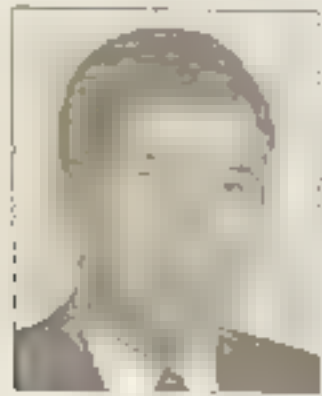
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# Landmark visit brings mixed responses

## ■ Missouri legislators share their views on Chinese President Jiang Zemin's visit



Rep. Blunt



Sen. Bond



Sen. Ashcroft

By AILEEN GRONEWOLD  
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

**T**o engage or not to engage. That used to be the question. But as China, a nation of 1.2 billion people, continues to rise in world prominence, U.S. leaders face a much more complicated question today.

Chinese President Jiang Zemin's visit to the United States last week forced government leaders to take a fresh look at sticky issues that defy easy answers.

In all of the muddle, however, one thing is becoming increasingly clear: China cannot be ignored.

Isolation, the opposite of engagement, is not a viable option.

The new buzzword is "constructive engagement," but the definition varies with every person who uses it.

According to U.S. Sen. John Ashcroft (R-Mo.), "A stable and truly constructive relationship with Beijing will be established only when our national security interests are defended and when our commitment to the principles of liberty and freedom is preserved."

Ashcroft joined a bipartisan group of senators to introduce the China Policy Act of 1997. The senators crafted the bill as an alternative to the existing policy of "passivity and appeasement."

"Under this bill, when China violates standards of decency or endangers vital American interests, there will be a response that is swift, predictable, and appropriate to the circumstances," Ashcroft said.

U.S. Sen. Christopher Bond (R-Mo.) and U.S. Rep. Roy Blunt (R-Mo.) also voiced disapproval of the Clinton administration's dealings with China at this point.

"I don't agree with the reception we're giving the Chinese president," Blunt said. "I think the president was right initially when he offered a 'working meeting.'"

"Not enough has been done on the administration's part to explain why we've changed our position and what we hope we get out of it," agreed Jeff Kuhnreich, defense and foreign affairs aide for Bond.

Despite grave concerns over human rights issues, however, Bond and Blunt consider trade with China important.

"We should push our agenda, but not in



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During the welcoming ceremony on Oct. 29, Chinese President Jiang Zemin listens as President Clinton addresses visitors and reporters on the south lawn of the White House.

such a way that we cut off our nose to spite our face," Kuhnreich said.

"I'm essentially for free trade," Blunt said. "American agriculture and Missouri agriculture benefit from free trade, but there are a number of reasons to be concerned."

Missouri legislators Ashcroft, Bond, and Blunt voiced strong convictions on human rights and concerns over preserving the

United States' national interests. The United States seems destined to work toward some kind of "constructive engagement," they agree, but they will watch future developments with caution.

"It is a painfully slow process to affect a change, but just because it's slow doesn't mean the answer is to disengage," Kuhnreich said. □

## China's defacto ban penalizes U.S. pork products

### Senators oppose ban on U.S. agricultural products

By TAMMY SPICER  
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**P**ork products from Missouri and the United States are having a difficult time finding their way onto Chinese supper tables.

"Despite the high quality and unparalleled cost competitiveness of their product, American pork producers are virtually locked out of the Chinese market, which is the largest in the world," read a letter to President Clinton, signed by a group of U.S. senators including Christopher Bond (R-Mo.), John Ashcroft (R-Mo.), and Sam Brownback (R-Kan.) "For this reason, we urge you to raise the issue of China's de

facto ban on pork during your discussions with President Jiang."

China's tariff barrier averages 35 percent on imports. This alone would have a negative effect on U.S. imports into the Chinese market, but taxes are not the only stumbling block for entering the market, explained Taunya McLarty, legislative aide to Ashcroft.

"There is in essence a de facto ban on some U.S. exports," McLarty said. "It is not exactly a law against imports, but new statutes that limit imports."

The United States takes in about one third of China's exports while China uses about 2 percent of the products that the United States exports, according to McLarty.

"A healthy U.S.-China trading relationship is important for both countries, but it will be realized only when China's tangled web of trade barriers is confronted at the highest

levels of diplomacy," said Ashcroft in another letter to Clinton.

"While it is commendable to sell American products, we must never sell out the principles of free trade."

Agricultural and live-stock products are a large part of Missouri's export sales, totaling \$697,342,000 in 1996. The Chinese portion of that export number was \$212,000 according to data from the U.S. Census Bureau.

"Our agricultural products are very strong," McLarty said. "It is one of the most important Missouri exports."

While all agricultural products are important exports for the United States, animal products have seen a significant increase, according to Howard Waltzman, spokesman for Brownback.

"As foreign countries become more prosperous, their diets are one of the first things

to improve," Waltzman said. "They tend to eat more meat. This presents an exciting market for Kansas."

Constructive engagement is one of the best ways to improve trade relations between the United States and China, said Jeff Kuhnreich, defense and foreign affairs aide for Bond.

"If China can't get enough soybeans from their own crops or someone else, they will come to us, as long as we keep the channels of communication open," he said.

According to the letter sent by Bond, Ashcroft, Brownback, and several other senators, recent trade statistics suggest that China may soon surpass Japan as the single largest source of U.S. trade deficit.

"We believe that if China liberalized its pork market, U.S. pork exports would rise significantly, thus reducing our trade imbalance," the senators said. □



# Legislators debate China's MFN status

Discussions focused on human rights policies ■ China's MFN renewal process

By TAMMY SPICER  
EXECUTIVE EDITOR

While China was busy with preparations for the Hong Kong handover last summer, the country was at the center of heated discussion in the U.S. Capitol.

The debates were surrounding the issue of whether to continue providing China with Most Favored Nation (MFN) tariff treatment.

"Most Favored Nation status is almost a term of art; it has been around for decades," explained Donna Thiessen, senior trade policy advisor to U.S. Rep. Bill Archer (R-Texas), chairman of the Ways and Means Committee. "It really simply means that we agree to treat the country no less favorably than our most favored trading partner."

Currently there are only five countries that do not enjoy MFN status with the United States: North Korea, Vietnam, Laos, Afghanistan, and Cuba.

When the House Joint Resolution 79 was put to the House floor in June, it failed to

pass by 86 votes, which allowed China to retain its MFN status.

U.S. Rep. Roy Blunt (R-Mo.) voted to strip China of its MFN status because "it is imperative that we as a nation stand up for what we believe and cherish. We are a nation of individual freedoms and liberties. America should place her political principles above commerce."

"The president's total capitulation on MFN was disappointing," Blunt said. "He had some time to work on this and try to reach some agreements."

Continuing MFN status to China left little reason for the country to negotiate on issues like human rights, Blunt explained.

The American people believe by more than a 2-1 margin (67 percent to 27 percent) that the Chinese government should improve its human rights practices or lose its current trade status with the United States, according to a May *Wall Street Journal/NBC/Hart* Teeter poll.

Many people have expressed concern with MFN status because they don't understand the term, Thiessen explained. "It conjures up



A U.S. Marine Corps marching unit.

The White House welcoming ceremony contained much fanfare, including a Marine Corps marching unit.

images that the United States is best friends with China rather than simply normal trading partners.

U.S. Sen. John Ashcroft (R-Mo.) doesn't believe a name change is that is necessary to eliminate concerns over China's trading status.

"The administration and the ivory tower academicians like to whine about how misleading the 'most favored nation' designation is. 'If we could only change the name,' they wail, 'our China troubles would be over.' But never there were a country that deserved the label 'most favored nation,' it is Communist China," Ashcroft said.

"Australia, for instance, has tariffs on U.S. goods that are roughly equal to America's 4 percent rate (the tariff rate for countries with MFN status)," Ashcroft explained. "And yet, Australia's access to the U.S. market is no better than China's."

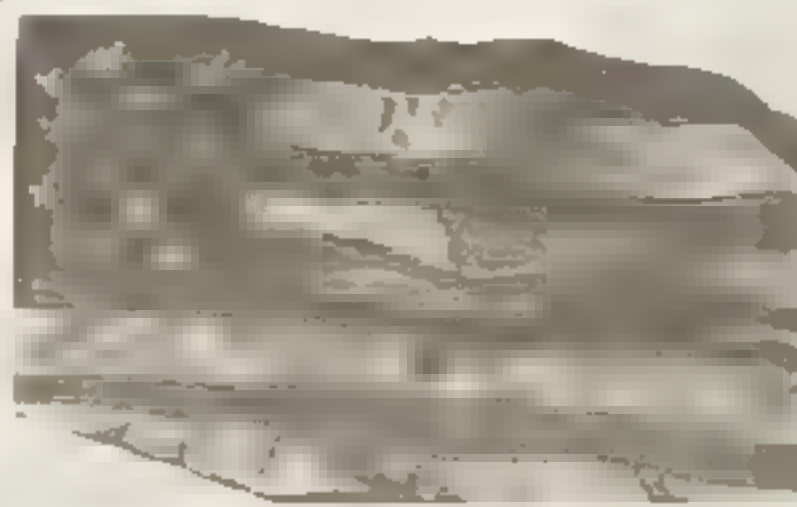
The Chinese tariff barrier averages 23 percent, according to Taunya McLarty, legislative aide to Ashcroft.

And that statistic does not even address the non-tariff barriers oftentimes put on foreign imports, McLarty explained.

Ashcroft has three main areas of concern when it comes to dealing with China: national security, trade, and human rights. He was opposed to allowing China to maintain its MFN status with the

## Most Favored Nation Status

■ Currently there are only five countries that do not have MFN status with the United States:



North Korea  
Vietnam  
Laos  
Afghanistan  
Cuba

United States without further negotiations.

Not everyone believes that MFN status should have been used as a bargaining tool with the Chinese government.

"While (U.S.) Sen. Christopher Bond (R-Mo.) continues to be concerned about the human rights violations in China, he believes there are better ways to punish the Chinese government for these violations than cutting off normal trade relations which would hurt American workers and consumers," according to a statement released by his office. "What we should do instead is deny their world bank loans and their entry into the World Trade Organization."

Human rights violations should not be overlooked, but the only way to affect change in China is to

be involved in engagement with the country, said Jeff Kuhreich, defense and foreign affairs aide to Bond.

"Sen. Bond is a free-tradist. He believes every bag of grain that goes overseas with a U.S. flag on it is good for America," Kuhreich said.

Blunt said his vote against China's MFN status remembered the lone Chinese man who faced the tanks in Tiananmen Square.

"The students in Tiananmen built a replica of the Statue of Liberty, not because they admired McDonald's or Ford, but because America to them was synonymous with freedom," Blunt said. "We need to hold China accountable for its own abuses in trade and the suppression of human rights and religious freedoms." □



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President Clinton applauds Chinese President Jiang Zemin during





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Across the street from the White House, in Lafayette Square, a large crowd of protesters gathered to rally against Chinese human rights violations.

# Jiang's visit

## White House rolls out red carpet

By TAMMY SPICER  
EXECUTIVE EDITOR

The red carpet was rolled out for Chinese President Jiang Zemin when he visited the United States for the first formal summit between the two nations since the Tiananmen Square incident.

"Mr. President, your visit gives us both an opportunity and a responsibility," said President Clinton in a speech at the welcoming ceremony Oct. 29. "At the dawn of a new century and a new millennium, let us strengthen the bonds between us; let us pursue common causes; let us address our differences openly and with respect; let us build a better world for our children."

The summit is the first since President Bush met with Chinese leader Deng Xiaoping in 1989.

The south lawn of the White House was the gathering place for throngs of reporters, politicians, invited guests, and ceremony participants. The excited faces among the crowd represented both nations.

The president and Hillary Clinton welcomed Jiang and his wife, Madame Wang Yeping, and escorted them down a red carpet to the podium. A 21-gun salute sounded loudly on the grounds launching the ceremony.

National anthems for both the People's Republic of China and the United States rang as the crowd stood at stages of attention, giving respect to both nations.

"It was a nice ceremony," said Lisa Lee, a 19-year-old Chinese student attending George Washington University and majoring in international economy and East Asian studies. "But I think President Jiang's whole speech was just to show the people back in China how powerful he is."

After the welcoming ceremony, Lee crossed the street to Lafayette



President Clinton addresses President Jiang Zemin on the

Square and watched one of the most significant incidents of the Tiananmen Square and watched one of the most significant incidents of the Tiananmen

Several accords were reached, including a 1985 agreement to sell to China; establishing a joint U.S. support of training lawyers, prosecutors

## Protesters voice concerns over



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Richard Gere, Hollywood actor and Tibetan activist, spoke to the crowd at the "Let Freedom Ring" rally.

By AILEEN GRONWOLD  
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

While President Clinton and Chinese President Jiang Zemin were trying to find common ground in the White House last week, another unlikely group had found it just outside the White House.

A diverse mix of more than 30 human rights, labor, religious, and environmental groups came together to make their voices heard at the "Let Freedom Ring" rally. A sea of protesters chanted and cheered as they waved signs and pictures of the Dalai Lama in passionate support of the speakers.

Kerry Kennedy Cuomo, founder of the Robert F. Kennedy Center for Human Rights, kicked off the rally with a confrontational list of China's human rights violations, including the imprisonment of political dissidents, forced labor camps, forced abortions and sterilizations, religious persecution, and the forcible displacement of people groups.

She concluded, "Mr. President, there



# sparks emotional day

## et for Chinese president at summit



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...es the crowd before introducing Chinese  
the south lawn of The White House last week.

of the protest rallies against the Chinese presi-  
dential rights violations. It was interesting to see  
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ched during the landmark summit, including  
ement to allow U.S. nuclear technology to be  
ing a direct hot line between the presidents;  
f China's developing legal system, including  
ors, and judges; accepting a Military Maritime

Cooperation Agreement to handle incidents at sea by establishing closer  
communications and rules for when the nations' ships and submarines  
encounter one another; and signing a deal between the Chinese and  
Boeing Co. to buy 50 airplanes for \$3 billion, according to the Associated  
Press.

"Since the Tiananmen fiasco the relationship between our countries has  
stagnated, to say the least," said Mildred Wang, Arlington, Va., who came  
to the United States from China in 1945. "That was not good for either  
country. There are more important reasons to be friendly than to be in  
odds."

Not everyone in the nation's Capitol was quite as accepting of the  
Chinese president's red-carpet welcome in the United States for the sum-  
mit.

"When our president...remains publicly mute...as the Chinese govern-  
ment carries out these atrocities...and instead welcomes President Jiang  
with a 21-gun salute, then we must go back to Independence Hall and look  
again at our Declaration of Independence and our Constitution and our  
Liberty Bell and wonder — not are we truly free, but who are we as  
Americans," said Kerry Kennedy Cuomo, founder of the Robert F.  
Kennedy Memorial Center for Human Rights and a speaker at a rally  
against Chinese human rights violations.

Jiang ended his speech at the welcoming ceremony in English without  
the aid of a translator.

"Let us, the Chinese and the Americans, join hands and, together, with  
people around the world, work hard to bring about a new century of  
peace, stability, and prosperity," he said.

While Jiang was in the United States he also visited Hawaii, Boston, Los  
Angeles, and Philadelphia. □



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Both the Chinese and American flag were on display at the  
welcoming ceremony for Chinese President Jiang Zemin.

## human rights in Tibet

no common ground."

uomo shared the podium with John  
reeney, president of the AFL-CIO;  
y Bauer, president of the Family  
search Council; Rep. Frank Wolf (R-  
); Rep. Nancy Pelosi (D-Calif.);  
erry Wu, former political prisoner;  
ng Yi, Tiananmen Square survivor;  
and Hollywood actor Richard Gere.

It's ironic that this rally draws both  
liberals and the conservatives, but  
the moderates are nowhere to be  
seen," said Bob Morrison, special assis-  
tant at the Family Research Council.

Not only did protesters come from  
political distances, they also came  
from vast geographical distances.

Eli Marshall, 20, made the trip from  
Maine to lead his support to the  
Tibetan movement.

"It seems that the United States wants  
political and economic engagement at  
the risk of human rights," he said.

The Tibetan cause occupied center  
stage at the rally, due in part to the  
attention given it by Gere, who had just  
returned from a visit with the Dalai  
Lama.  
"Everywhere I look today I see pic-

tures of the Dalai Lama, but that is ille-  
gal in Tibet," Gere said. "Consider the  
paucity of a government that is afraid of  
a 6-year-old boy and a winner of the  
Nobel Peace Prize."

The 6-year-old boy, known as the  
Panchen Lama, is the future successor  
to the Dalai Lama. The child has disap-  
peared, and many suspect that he was  
kidnapped by the Chinese government.

The plight of the missing child made  
a significant impression on one of the  
younger protesters, Alex Rosas, from  
Columbia, Md.

"I don't think it's fair for the little boy  
to be thrown in jail and tortured," he  
said.

Teresa Rosas, Alex's mother, brought  
her son to the rally for the educational  
value of the experience.

"I wanted Alex to see freedom of  
speech and the right to protest," she  
said.

In addition to the "Let Freedom Ring"  
rally, another group was speaking out  
for an independent Taiwan a few blocks  
away, and a candlelight vigil was held  
the previous night at the Chinese  
Embassy. □



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Dawa Choedon, Washington D.C. resident and Tibetan native, and a friend revel in the excitement of a  
rally to save Tibet. The protesters gathered for the evening rally in front of the Chinese Embassy.



# House bill combats religious persecution

**Congressman's first-hand witness of religious persecution in Tibet and Sudan fuels relief legislation**

By AILEEN GRONEWOLD  
 ASSOCIATE EDITOR

**W**hile virtually every legislator on Capitol Hill talks about concern for religious freedom, one congressman has taken significant action.

U.S. Rep. Frank Wolf (R-Va.) sponsored a bill this year, H.R. 2431, that establishes a government office to monitor religious persecution and requires the director to report to Congress on the type of persecution.



Rep. Wolf

In its original form, the office was established in the White House, but subsequent changes moved it to the State Department.

"[The bill] focuses on aid, not trade, sanctions to encourage change," Wolf said in an address to the House International Relations Committee.

"Where it bans exports, it does so in the narrowest way practical. I must let this committee know that there are many who would like to see trade sanctions against governments that persecute people of faith — I am one — however, this bill uses other means to affect change."

The bill denies foreign aid (except humanitarian aid) to countries deemed guilty of religious persecution and requires U.S. executive directors to work aggressively to deny loans by multi-lateral development banks to those countries.

It also improves refugee and asylum procedures for those seeking refuge from persecution.

Although the bill applies to all countries, it specifically imposes "immediate and tough civil sanctions on the government of Sudan until it ceases all religious persecution."

"After having traveled to Sudan three times since 1989, I can say with some experience that the persecution occurring there is some of the worst I've ever seen," Wolf said. "It's



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Among the many causes represented at protest rallies last week, human rights abuses in Tibet received the most attention. U.S. Rep. Frank Wolf's (R-Va.) concerns about religious persecution led him to Tibet to witness conditions.

time the U.S. singled this country out as an example of one of the most egregious violators of human rights in the world."

U.S. Rep. Roy Blunt (R-Mo.) co-sponsored the bill, and a similar bill was introduced in the Senate by U.S. Sen. Arlen Specter (R-Pa.).

"Religious persecution is a significant problem in the world today," Blunt said. "More people have died for their religious beliefs in this century than in any other."

Wolf's knowledge of the severity of the problem of religious persecution comes in part from a trip to Tibet he made in August. He and a man who was fluent in Tibetan language and culture were able to secure tourist visas from the Chinese government.

"At no time was I asked nor did I make known that I was a member of Congress," he said. "Had I done so, I am sure that my visit would not have been approved, just as other members of Congress requesting permission to visit Tibet have been turned down."

According to Wolf's report to Congress, his visit marks the first time a sitting member of the U.S. House of Representatives has visited Tibet since the Chinese occupation began in 1959. Three U.S. senators have visited Tibet in recent decades, but they were closely shepherded by the Chinese.

His status as a tourist allowed Wolf to get a candid view of the conditions.

"I found that the PRC (People's Republic of China) has a near-perfect record of vicious, immediate, and unrelenting reprisal against the merest whisper of Tibetan dissent," he said.

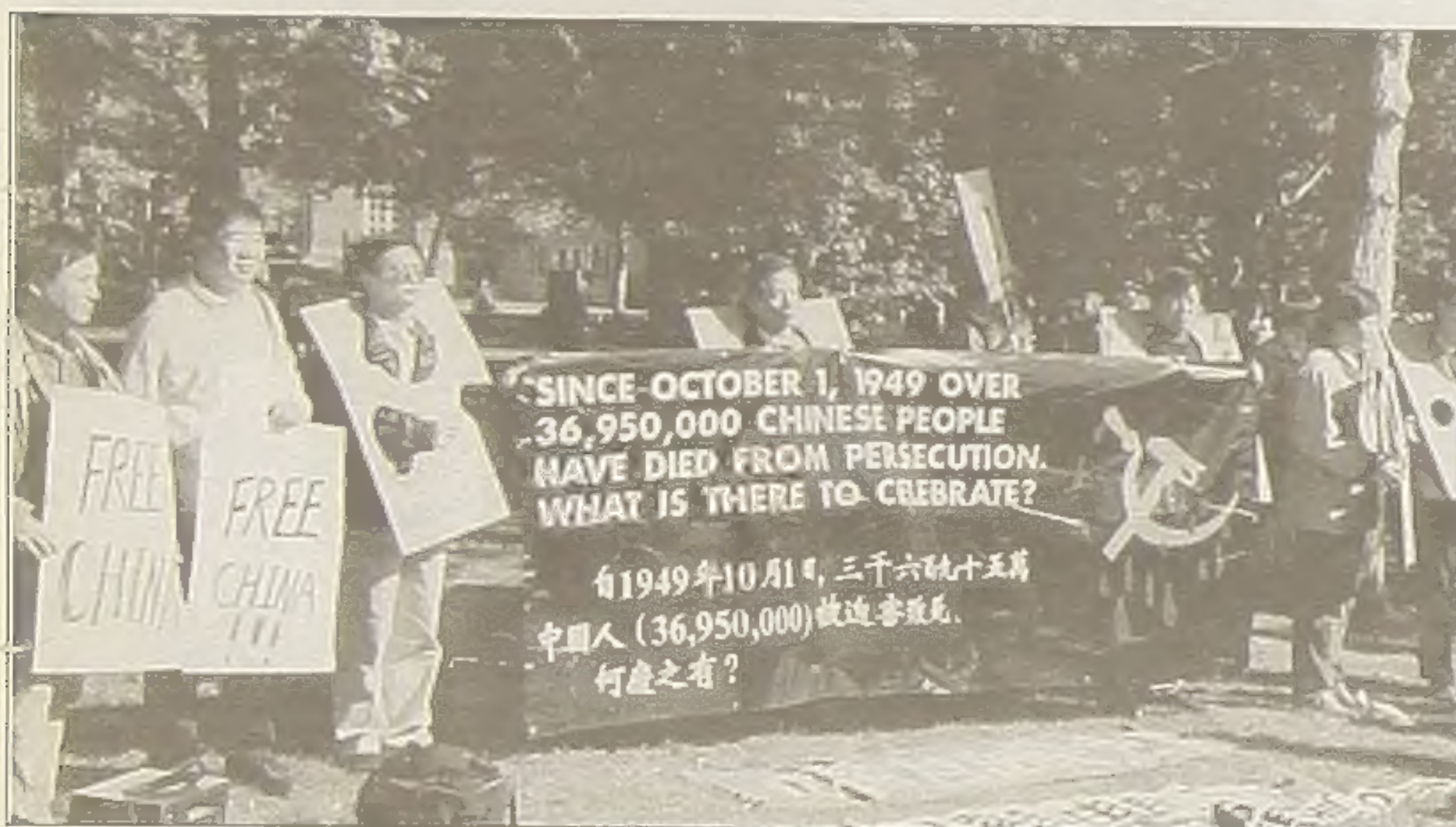
"I met with monks, men and women on the streets, and others who risked their personal safety and well-being to steal a few moments alone with me to tell how bad conditions are in Tibet and petition help and support from the West."

Wolf was able to see several prisons and monasteries where he was constantly approached by Tibetans who pleaded for help.

"At one place we met a woman in worship," he said. "When she realized we were American, she burst forth. Tears poured down her face as she told us of conditions."

"Asked for a message to America, she said, 'Please help us. When there is pressure from the West, things loosen up a bit before returning to as before.'"

A spokesman from Wolf's office said the bill probably will not come up for a vote until early next year. □



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Protesters used a variety of signs and props to emphasize the history of China's human rights abuses at a rally held in Lafayette Square Oct. 29, while President Clinton and Chinese President Jiang Zemin met at the White House.



# U.S. trades technology

## Agreement offers nuclear technology

By TAMMY SPICER  
EXECUTIVE EDITOR

Trading nuclear technology was one of the main agreements reached while Chinese President Jiang Zemin was in the nation's Capitol meeting with President Clinton.

The issue of allowing U.S. companies to sell nuclear technology to China has been in debate for the past month.

The final action that brought about the agreement was a written pledge by the Chinese to stop nuclear dealing with Iran.

"The administration does not want Chinese President Jiang Zemin to return to Beijing empty-handed," said U.S. Sen. John Ashcroft (R-Mo.) in a Senate speech before Jiang's visit. "I think that is kind and generous and warm-hearted, but I question the need to give China nuclear technology just to make President Jiang happy."

A U.S.-China Agreement for

Nuclear Cooperation was signed in 1985, but due to the requirement that the president must certify China is not assisting Iran and other countries to develop nuclear weapons, it has been on hold for more than a decade.

"Everyone is concerned with nuclear proliferation," said Jeff Kuhrelich, defense and foreign affairs aide for U.S. Sen. Christopher Bond (R-Mo.).

"We don't believe any agreement reached will go beyond the narrowly defined product of light water, civilian nuclear technology."

Light water nuclear technology does not have the ability to transfer nuclear residue into weapons-grade material, Kuhrelich said.

"China is already an internationally recognized nuclear weapons state. It runs military reactors for the production of plutonium, as do other weapons states," said a group of 10 senators in a letter to Clinton before the Jiang summit.

The CIA released a report covering the last half of 1996 that identifies China as the world's worst proliferator of weapons of mass destruction technology. The report says China provided a tremendous

variety of assistance to both Iran's and Pakistan's ballistic missile programs, Ashcroft noted in his Senate speech.

"The administration says China has honored its nonproliferation pledge of May 1996," Ashcroft said. "But let me again make clear that the CIA report covers the last half of 1996, the period after China made its so-called nuclear nonproliferation commitment."

A statement released by the Nuclear Energy Institute states that benefits to implementing the 1985 agreement include:

- Providing China with access to the world's safest and most reliable commercial nuclear technologies as well as access to U.S. nuclear expertise in operations, design, and manufacturing;
- Enhancing our ability to achieve international nuclear nonproliferation goals by engaging China in civilian nuclear commerce;
- Providing China with electrical generating capacity that will not increase carbon dioxide and other atmospheric emissions, a benefit for China as well as the global environment; and



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President Clinton and Chinese President Jiang Zemin exchange greetings before a large crowd at the formal welcoming ceremony.

- Providing U.S. jobs, advancing the U.S. economy, and improving the current balance of trade with China through commercial nuclear trade between the two nations.

The new agreement will even touch Missouri. Emerson Electric, a company founded in 1890 in St. Louis, produces parts for nuclear power plants and will be potentially affected by the agreement.

"Emerson's Fisher Rosemount Division supplies process controls that help nuclear power plants around the world operate safely,"

the company said in a released statement. "China's power needs in the coming century will be substantial, representing tremendous potential markets for U.S. companies, products and services."

Clinton addressed the nuclear agreement at a press conference: "It will allow our companies to apply for licenses to sell equipment to Chinese nuclear power plants, subject to U.S. monitoring. This agreement is a win-win-win. It serves America's national security, environmental, and economic interests." □

# China, Boeing sign \$3 billion contract

By AILEEN GRONEWOLD  
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

It was just a piece of paper, but it spanned the miles of land and sea that separate the United States and China. A contract for \$3 billion of Boeing aircraft was signed at the close of last week's summit between President Clinton and Chinese President Jiang Zemin.

"This contract will support tens of thousands of American jobs and provide China with a fleet of planes," Clinton said.

Boeing has a 26-year business association with China. Prior to this contract, one in every 10 Boeing planes went to China.

According to the federal Bureau of Labor and Statistics, 11,000 American jobs are supported by every \$1 billion in aircraft exports.

The new order is for thirty-six 737s, five 757s, one 747, and eight 777s. The 50 planes mark China's biggest airplane deal ever.

Much of the impact of the con-

tract will be felt in Kansas, with a ripple effect on local companies as well.

Boeing's second largest plant, located in Wichita, produces 75 percent of the company's 737s.

According to Dick Ziegler, principal spokesman for Boeing, significant portions of the other models are also manufactured in Wichita.

"This order will not increase our work force, but it will help us sustain it for the next 10 to 15 years at least," Ziegler said. "And that's just the direct impact. The cascading effect of the order will impact our entire supply base and even local businesses."

Philip Condit, CEO of The Boeing Company, believes the trade agreement will affect the entire country, not just Boeing.

"Trade with China means a better and more prosperous future not only for Boeing employees, but for our suppliers based in literally every state in this country," he said. □

## NOT A WARM WELCOME



AILEEN GRONEWOLD/The Chart

While Chinese President Jiang Zemin was being welcomed at the White House by President Clinton last week, protesters marched across the street with signs demanding independence for Taiwan.



# Summit leaves lasting impressions

## Differences offer fresh perspective

By TAMMY SPICER  
EXECUTIVE EDITOR

By now, nearly everyone has formed their own opinion of the China summit held last week in Washington. And I imagine most of them are just about the same; we are all horrified at the images of Tiananmen Square and the terrible injustices faced by Chinese citizens.

Some Americans are so upset by Chinese human rights violations they would rather we as a nation not deal with China on any level. The meeting between the two national leaders last week has nipped that option in the bud.

So now we need to find a way to balance our deeply held convictions about personal freedoms with the dependence on trade with the largest populated country in the world.

I am no less bothered by the conditions facing the Chinese population than everyone else, but perhaps hearing him speak in person left a somewhat different impression upon me. One thing that struck me the strongest about President Jiang was how steadfast he held his beliefs.

When faced with a question about Tiananmen Square during a press conference, he answered the reporters, "The political disturbance that occurred in the time in spring and summer in 1989 seriously disrupted social stability and jeopardized state security.

Therefore, the Chinese government had to take necessary measures according to law to quickly resolve the matter to ensure that our country enjoys stability and that our reform and opening up proceeds smoothly."

Considering the fact he was touring a nation with such strong feelings toward personal freedom, I am still surprised he held his ground. It would have been so easy for him to admit some fault in the incident and appease our nation.

Granted, his country would not have been happy to hear such a statement,

but the warm applause he would have received from the American audience might have softened the blow.

No matter how much I may disagree with how the Chinese government handled the horrible incident in Tiananmen Square, I really got the feeling he believes the situation had been handled in China's best interest.

It gives me food for thought. How strongly do I believe in the decisions I make on a daily basis? If an entire nation thought I was wrong, would I crumble or stand my ground?

There are things you can learn from everyone who touches your life, no matter how dif-



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Proud to be sporting official White House press passes, Tammy Spicer, left, and Aileen Gronewold try to act nonchalant as they cover the historic summit reception.

## Free speech holds new significance

By AILEEN GRONEWOLD  
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As impressive as it was to be at the White House last week, standing a few feet from the president with a press pass around my neck, I have to say it was not the most memorable part of my week in Washington. It was a thrilling experience, but somehow very predictable.

The protest rallies, on the other hand, surprised me. They moved me.

I met a fascinating variety of people who seemed irresistibly drawn together by the magnet of freedom. I still see their faces, old and young, of many races, from all over the United States and beyond, chanting, singing, praying.

One woman comes to the Chinese Embassy every month to lend her voice to the Tibetan cause. She has doubts about the effectiveness

of her efforts, but she comes anyway because she believes she has a moral obligation to speak out against injustice.

Another man came to Washington from Indianapolis for the rallies. He invests a significant portion of his time and energy for the people of Tibet because he considers himself an "all-American boy."

As I witnessed a very lively, colorful, and peaceful protest rally, I couldn't help thinking of a comment Congressman Blunt had made the day before. We asked him to address the Chinese press secretary's pre-visit request for the American people to show respect for Jiang Zemin by not protesting.

Blunt responded, "Well, if we treated our protesters the way they do theirs, I guess we would just shoot them."

It was a flippant comment, but it really struck me. Of course I've seen the photo of the lone man facing the tank in Tiananmen Square, but his comment caused me to imagine the same scene on American soil. It was like cold water in the face.

I noticed that the Chinese and Tibetan people at the rally were always smiling. No wonder. Simply to raise their voices and be heard was reason for jubilation and hope.

It also surprised me to find that our Missouri legislators voiced many of the same concerns that I and my friends feel. They've been listening. To individually raise our voices with letters or phone calls makes more of a difference than I realized.

The right to protest is one that I have seldom exercised and never valued highly. But I do now.

I came home from Washington with a few cheap souvenirs and a great appreciation for



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Tammy jockeys for position among broadcast journalists and photographers at the landmark welcoming ceremony last week.

but the warm applause he would have received from the American audience might have softened the blow.

No matter how much I may disagree with how the Chinese government handled the horrible incident in Tiananmen Square, I really got the feeling he believes the situation had been handled in China's best interest.

It gives me food for thought. How strongly do I believe in the decisions I make on a daily basis? If an entire nation thought I was wrong, would I crumble or stand my ground?

There are things you can learn from everyone who touches your life, no matter how dif-



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Peeking back in the crowd to find her cohort, Aileen holds her ground in a throng of print journalists covering the historic ceremony on the south lawn of the White House.